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in the Central States

The United Lutheran Church In America

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Held In

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

1645 E. 13th Street

Tulsa, Oklahoma

The Rev. Vernon F. Jacobs, Pastor

May 16, 17, 18, 19, 1960

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH HISTORY

With the year 1960, First Lutheran Church starts its second half century of service to her Lord and His Kingdom. Organized March 14, 1909 under the leadership of Dr. C. W. Sifferd, First Lutheran Church has grown to a position of loyal service and stature in the city of Tulsa and the far reaches of the Church at Large.

The first building of the new congregation was erected in 1914 at the corner of Fifth Street and Elwood Avenue, sight of the new Tulsa County Courthouse. This building served until November of 1953, at which time it was razed to make way for the new county structure.

The new building site at 13th Street and Utica Avenue was purchased for $50,000.00. Ground was broken for the new church building 39 years to the day after the dedication of the old First Lutheran structure. The new building, costing approximately $200,000.00, was opened on Thanksgiving Day in 1954. A $58,000.00 education floor was added in 1960. Meanwhile interior finishing and furnishings to the extent of approximately $75,000.00 have been added to make the worship and educational facilities of the finest in beauty and efficiency.

The congregation has grown from its original charter membership of 61 confirmed members to the present membership of 829 baptized, 587 confirmed, and 530 communing members.

First Lutheran assisted with the establishment of a Mission congregation in 1955. The Mission is Ascension Lutheran Church. A second U.L.C. Mission to be known as Advent Lutheran Church will be organized in 1960.

The pastors who have served First Lutheran Church are:

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Adamcik, Daniel J. 2421 North Thornton Drive Midwest City, Oklahoma	1928	1959	S	St. Mark Raphael Josephson
Albert, Donald L. Wolbach, Nebraska	1955	1958	C	Trinity Paul H. Rother
Alexander, Willard W., D.D. 4720 Randolph Street Lincoln, Nebraska	1935	1935	C	Superintendent Tabitha Home
Allen, Harry R. 3743 Harrison Boulevard Kansas City, Missouri	1926	1951	SE	St. Mark Al Borcherding
Amend, Edward J., Th.D. Wisner, Nebraska	1927	1945	NE	Christ Howard D. Graber
Amend, Edward W. 4801 South Lewis Tulsa, Oklahoma	1955	1955	S	Ascension Donald A. Harris
Anderson, P.O. Box 246 Hanover, Kansas	1945	1945	SW	Zion
Angersbach, Arthur L. 1015 North Washington Hutchinson, Kansas	1928	1949	SW	Zion Paul C. Buskirk
Ashley, Martin C. 1616 South 94th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1949	1949	C	Morning Star Kenneth J. Shaw
Bahnsen, J. A. 827 East 7th Street Hastings, Nebraska	1910	1910		Retired
Barnell, B. A. Box 205 Benedict, Nebraska	1934	1956	C	Zion (Benedict) Trinity (Polk)
Bastian, Edwin P. Kutztown, Pennsylvania	1949	1949		Inactive
Baughman, A. C., D.D. R. R. #1 Nickerson, Nebraska	1921	1949	NE	Salem (Fontanelle) Mrs. Grace Baughman St. John (Vacoma)
Bergfelder, Otto 225 11th N.W. Waverly, Iowa	1902	1924		Retired

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Bergstresser, Fuller, D.D. 514 West Third Abilene, Kansas	1894	1926	SW	Trinity
Bernhardt, Harvey H. Box 93 Rock Port, Missouri	1937	1942	C	First
Biedenweg, H. M. Falls City, Nebraska	1926	1926	C	St. Peter
Boldt, F. D., D.D. 433 East Military Fremont, Nebraska	1928	1951	NE	Salem
Brede, H. J., S.T.D. 917 Claremont Lincoln, Nebraska	1920	1960		Retired
Brei, Harlan A. Scribner, Nebraska	1953	1953	NE	St. John (Ridgely) St. Matthew (North Bend)
Breunsbach, Daniel K. 303-3 Chome Hyakunin Machi Shinjuku Ku Tokyo, Japan	1958	1958		Missionary
Buhr, Robert H. c/o Board of Foreign Missions 231 Madison Avenue New York 16, New York	1959	1959		Missionary
Cepure, Uldis Home, Kansas	1960	1960	SW	Friedens
Churchill, Warren Creston, Nebraska	1935	1935	NE	St. Peter (Creston) Jake Bachman St. Paul (Leigh) Otto D. Loseke
Clark, E. Harvey 509 West Second Street Grand Island, Nebraska	1935	1947	C	St. Paul Wm. M. Woodhead
Cordts, H. C. Wilber, Nebraska	1926	1926	C	Retired First (Supply)
Cress, Foster L. Walton, Nebraska	1928	1936	C	Grace (Walton) Mrs. Foster L. Cress Trinity (Eagle)
Daire, Delbert L. Office of the Chaplain Ft. Rucker, Alabama	1955	1955		Chaplain

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Daubenspeck, Wayne Seoul, Korea	1930	1930		Service Pastor
de Freese, Klaas J., D.D. 213 East Division Peabody, Kansas	1916	1956	SW	St. Paul
de Freese, Louis H. 1300 North Robinson Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	1936	1952	S	First
de Freese, Paul 511 North Burlington Hastings, Nebraska	1943	1943	NW	First St. Paul Floyd M. Crewdson
de Freese, S. Kenneth 421 Lincoln Street Wayne, Nebraska	1942	1942	NE	Redeemer Richard L. Carman
Deithloff, Carl J. R. R. #1 Auburn, Nebraska	1934	1960	C	St. John
Dieckman, Paul W., D.D. Midland College Fremont, Nebraska	1932	1952		President Midland College
Diekhoff, Herman J. Box 265 Pierce, Nebraska	1920	1920	NE	Christ
Diekhoff, Leland Darrouzett, Texas	1960	1960	S	St. Paul Melvin L. Miller
Dobbe, LeRoy J. R. R. #2 Hooper, Nebraska	1955	1956	NE	St. Paul Adolph Muller
Dowler, Hugh Box 132 Spencer, Nebraska	1930	1957	NE	United
Duhrkop, Gustav F. 214 North 9th Street Beatrice, Nebraska	1919	1919	C	Trinity
Duis, Alfred J. 105 South Duck Street Stillwater, Oklahoma	1934	1934	S	Salem (Stillwater) Orville C. Schultz
Dumler, Henry Davenport, Nebraska	1926	1925	C	Christ
Dunning, Richard Lancaster, Kansas	1958	1958	SE	St. John

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Eller, George W. 613 North Mill Beloit, Kansas	1935	1939	SW	Zion Bill L. Albott
Empson, Carl I. Dakota City, Nebraska	1924	1954	NE	Salem Roy Bartels
Ensrud, Joseph O. 982 Duke Drive Alexandria, Virginia	1912	1926		U.S. Army Retired
Felton, James B. Langdon, Missouri	1960	1960	C	St. Peter Donald L. Rosenbohm
Frederick, Paul H. W., D.D. 1643 North Colson Fremont, Nebraska	1900	1931		Retired
Frederick, Sherman E. 206 West 7th Street Emporia, Kansas	1937	1937	SW	St. Mark Theo. F. Hahn
Freytag, Frederick Stella, Nebraska	1928	1950	C	Trinity
Frobenius, Reno R. 4823 Douglas Street Omaha, Nebraska	1930	1943		Secretary of Home Missions
Fruhling, Lawrence Blue Hill, Nebraska	1960	1960	NW	St. Paul
Fuerst, Wesley J. Central Lutheran Seminary Fremont, Nebraska	1957	1957		Professor Central Seminary
Gaston, Robert E. 4720 Randolph Street Lincoln, Nebraska	1930	1930		Chaplain Tabitha Home
Gates, Donald C. 2215 North 70th Terrace Bethel, Kansas	1959	1960	SE	Prince of Peace Alfred Nowasell
Geissler, Max H. R. R. #2, Box 80 WaKeeney, Kansas	1931	1949	SW	Zion
Gieschen, David Perry, Oklahoma	1960	1960	S	Zion Mrs. Lorene Loveless
Gieschen, Gerhard, D.D. Central Lutheran Seminary Fremont, Nebraska	1922	1951		Professor Central Seminary

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Gieschen, Roger J. 10016 Mahler Place Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	1958	1958	S	Our Lord's Thad B. Barhydt
Gigstad, Karl G. 2222 Sixteenth Street Columbus, Nebraska	1941	1941	NE	Good Shepherd
Gittler, Henry Lanham, Nebraska	1958	1958	C	St. John (Lanham) Zion (Diller) Mrs. Henry Gittler
Goede, Carl H. Northboro, Iowa	1924	1924	C	St. Paul
Goede, Herman, D.D. 4401 Mohawk Street Lincoln, Nebraska	1922	1922	C	Friedens
Goldenstein, Carl R. 623 South Madison Papillion, Nebraska	1931	1931	C	Trinity Wm. W. Christiansen
Graham, Thomas E. House 12 Jalan Utara Petaling, Jaya Malaya	1957	1957		Missionary
Grant, James T. Waterville, Kansas	1958	1960	SW	St. Mark Carl R. Larson
Grinvalds, Vitauts Sterling, Nebraska	1957	1957	C	St. John
Hamilton, Harold E. 115 East South Park Lawrence, Kansas	1947	1954	SE	Trinity Albert C. Hayden
Hamilton, Robert D. 7935 Holmes Road Kansas City, Missouri	1954	1954	SE	Reformation
Hansen, Clarence J. Box 205 Bloomfield, Nebraska	1946	1946	NE	St. Mark
Hansen, Paul 2810 Sumner Street Lincoln, Nebraska	1943	1948		Missionary
Hauck, Allan, Th.D. 1640 North Monroe Fremont, Nebraska	1947	1959		Professor Midland College
Haut, Robert J. 2547 North 62nd Street Omaha, Nebraska	1952	1952	C	First English

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Heidbreder, John C. Niobrara, Nebraska	1957	1957	NE	Niobrara (Niobrara) Good Shepherd (Lindy)
Heidenreich, W. C. 824 Hancock Street Holdrege, Nebraska	1906	1928		Retired
Heier, Harlan F. 915 Denver Schuyler, Nebraska	1955	1955	NE	St. John
Henkel, Fred W. 3195 East Louise Salt Lake City, Utah	1926	1938		Mission Developer
Henning, Wilfred H. Oshkosh, Nebraska	1945	1945	NW	St. Mark (Oshkosh) Grace (Lewellen)
Herber, George Gretna, Nebraska	1931	1931	C	Resurrection
Hibbeler, O. Robert Diller, Nebraska	1953	1953	C	St. Paul
Hintermeyer, Vernon Potter, Nebraska	1956	1956	NW	First Wm. A. Sheets
Hirsch, Edwin J. 317 North 8th Street WaKeeney, Kansas	1933	1947	SW	Bethlehem James A. Long
Homburg, Arthur 11322 East 4th Street Tulsa, Oklahoma	1959	1959	S	Mission Developer
Homburg, August W., Jr. 1120 Hill Street Durant, Oklahoma			S	Our Saviour
Hull, Harry B. 1207 Fort Street Hays, Kansas	1933	1956	SW	Trinity Arthur F. Swanson
Hulse, Robert J. 2010 North 40th Street Lawton, Oklahoma	1958	1958	S	Emmanuel George R. Hurd
Huneke, Arthur W. Johnson, Nebraska	1936	1948	C	St. Matthew
Jacobs, Vernon F. 1645 East 13th Street Tulsa, Oklahoma	1950	1950	S	First Emil G. Eulert

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Jenny, Rudolph School of Missions 1644 South 11th Avenue Maywood, Illinois	1960	1960		Missionary
Jensen, Claudius E. 7102 Minne Lusa Boulevard Omaha, Nebraska	1931	1952	C	Our Redeemer Earl Frederiksen
Jesifers, Herbert 2144 Washington Lincoln, Nebraska	1940	1951	C	Latvian
Jobman, Richard Box 754 Norfolk, Nebraska	1940	1940	NE	St. John
Joens, Herman 408 Prospect Fremont, Nebraska	1930	1930		Retired
Johnson, Raymond E. Sunrise Beach, Missouri	1941	1953	SE	Kent Memorial Lawrence A. Clos
Kabele, Martin G. 316 South 10th Street St. Joseph, Missouri	1936	1958	SE	First English W. H. Guenther
Karsten, Robert 3800 Troost Kansas City, Missouri	1956	1959	SE	St. Mark Al Borcherding
Kern, Fred W., Th.D. 78 Orchard Place Battle Creek, Michigan	1927	1946		Office of Religious Affairs, Civil Defense Administration
Kleinert, Henry B. Midland College Fremont, Nebraska	1953	1958		Chaplain Midland College
Klickman, August H. Route #3 Streator, Illinois	1929	1956		Inactive
Klink, William A. 2317 Howe Avenue Sacramento, California	1917	1917		Retired
Knaub, Henry G. 3530 Touzalin Lincoln, Nebraska	1935	1935	C	United

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Knudsen, Arthur M., D.D. 4852 Harney Street Omaha, Nebraska	1913	1956		Retired
Koch, Dennis K. 1-4 Chome, Higashidori Sakurazuku, Toyonaka Shi Osaka Fu, Japan	1952	1952		Missionary
Kocher, Robert G. 11 Jalan Ru Petaling Jaya, Selangor Malaya	1954	1954		Missionary
Konig, Karl G. Yutan, Nebraska	1924	1924	C	St. John Carl G. Stange
Konig, Karl H. Ohiowa, Nebraska	1953	1953	C	St. John Henry Wolthan
Konig, Paul 2411 Franklin Bellevue, Nebraska	1956	1957	C	Immanuel
Kranzow, Glen W. Director, U.S. Servicemen's Lounge Wanchai, Hongkong, B.C.C.	1957	1957		Chaplain
Krebs, George P. West Point, Nebraska	1934	1945	NE	Grace W. H. Hasebroock
Kuehner, Theodore G. Clearwater, Minnesota	1915	1948		Retired
Lamm, Lester L. Scribner, Nebraska	1956	1956	NE	St. John (Scribner) Geo. J. Wobken St. Paul (Uehling)
Lau, F. Waldorf 701 Oak Valley Falls, Kansas	1945	1948	SE	St. Paul
L'Heureux, Louis H. 1306-4 Chome Katano Hom-Machi Kokura, Japan	1951	1951		Missionary
Lenser, Herman L. Hanover, Kansas	1906	1906		Retired
Lentz, Adolph B. J., D.D. Louisville, Nebraska	1919	1919	C	Christ Albert M. Hansen

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Lesher, Leland H., D.D. 2225 Washington Lincoln, Nebraska	1921	1939	C	Grace W. E. Haydon
Lesher, Robert L. 4812 Marvin Road Kansas City, Missouri	1952	1952	SE	Bethlehem Jack Bollinger
Linss, Wilhelm C., Th.D. Central Lutheran Seminary Fremont, Nebraska	1950	1958		Professor Central Seminary
Mattern, Ivan G. 925 North Waco Wichita, Kansas	1947	1958	SW	St. Paul Henry Schimp
Matthias, Otto 505 Brooks Russell, Kansas	1943	1956	SW	St. John Ralph A. Dumler
McCullough, John A., D.D. 2710 Blue Ridge Boulevard Kansas City, Missouri	1898	1921		Retired
Mendenhall, Alfred Box 61 Paxton, Nebraska	1937	1960	NW	Trinity
Miller, Arthur W. 10500 East 59th Street Raytown 33, Missouri	1953	1953	SE	Blue Ridge Trinity Wayne W. Alto
Miller, Paul L. 316 West 20th Street Falls City, Nebraska	1928	1958	C	St. Paul
Moebus, W. Merle Route #4, Box 910 Parkville, Missouri	1958	1958	SE	Gloria Dei Harvey Evans
Moede, E. J. Route #1 Millard, Nebraska	1929	1943		Supply
Moehring, Rudolph 2025 Tecumseh Road Manhattan, Kansas	1910	1910		Retired
Moeller, Paul Route #1 Glenvil, Nebraska	1955	1955	NW	St. Paul (Glenvil) Wessel Murman Immanuel (Hastings) Arno C. Pfeifer

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Moeller, Victor Route #3 Pender, Nebraska	1927	1927	NE	St. Peter
Moeller, Walter H., D.D. 316 South 7th Street Salina, Kansas	1931	1931	SW	St. John Wm. F. Hogrefe
Monnich, Henry T. 1129 Tenth Avenue Sidney, Nebraska	1933	1933	NW	Holy Trinity Marius Christensen
Mortensen, Ernest C. Broadwater, Nebraska	1920	1920	NW	Messiah
Mortensen, Loyal Box 55 Rising City, Nebraska	1953	1953	C	First Pearl C. Hillegass
Most, William F., D.D. 4637 West 69th Terrace Prairie Village, Kansas	1931	1931	SE	Faith Robert D. Bessier
Moyer, Frank S. Box 83—West Dodge Station Omaha, Nebraska	1957	1957		Chaplain Nebraska Lutheran Social Service
Moyer, Henry Box 158 Hardy, Nebraska	1954	1960	C	St. Paul (Hardy) Our Redeemer (Superior)
Murnan, Charles B. 2513 South 38th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1958	1958	C	Pilgrim
Naugle, Calvin J., D.D. 406 South Van Brunt Boul. Kansas City, Missouri	1938	1937	SE	Children's Memorial Jack Marten
Nelson, John Robert 804 W. South Street Salina, Kansas	1955	1955		Missionary
Niedenthal, Morris J. 107 Spring Valley Road Columbia, Missouri	1957	1957	SE	St. Andrew Mrs. Marion E. Sloan
Nielsen, Leo R. 609 West Grand Haysville, Kansas	1934	1951	SW	Resurrection
Nolte, Frederick C. Route #6 Lincoln, Nebraska	1947	1947	C	Zion
Nolte, Frederick W., D.D. Syracuse, Nebraska	1917	1917		Retired

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Norman, Ronald Dalton, Nebraska	1960	1960	NW	Trinity Wm. R. Harms
Nuebel, Carl Bendena, Kansas	1958	1958	SE	St. John
Ollendorf, Fred Leigh, Nebraska	1940	1940	NE	St. John
Pearson, Henning B. Lutheran Secondary School Box 287, Arusha Tanganyika	1943	1943		Missionary
Pedersen, Frederick Westboro, Missouri	1959	1959	C	St. John
Peters, Ray M. Box 1134—Sta. A Fort Smith, Arkansas	1960	1960	S	St. Luke
Petersen, Erich 628 North 10th Avenue Broken Bow, Nebraska	1931	1959	NW	Our Saviour
Pfeiffer, Raymond R. Scribner, Nebraska	1929	1933	NE	United (Scribner) Immanuel (Snyder)
Pietzko, Viktor R. 2278 W Street Lincoln, Nebraska	1917	1917		Retired
Pinkall, Arthur H., D.D. 2315 I Street Omaha, Nebraska	1930	1930	C	St. Luke Dr. Kenneth Reighter
Rathkamp, Hugo 2019 N Street Auburn, Nebraska	1953	1958	C	St. Paul Walter Kuenning
Rautenstrauss, Christian 6180 West 40th Avenue Wheatridge, Colorado	1910	1910		Retired
Rhoda, Clarence W. 7501 Amherst Drive Little Rock, Arkansas		1960	S	Faith Monroe D. Thompson
Rhode, Hermann O. 522 Huntington Avenue Council Bluffs, Iowa	1914	1914		Retired
Rinde, John L. 2222 Holland Avenue Springfield, Missouri	1956	1956	SE	Messiah Mrs. Lucille Cooley

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Ritzen, Heinz G. 7930 Oakwood Ralston, Nebraska	1941	1947	C	Messiah Don R. Janke
Ritzen, Ralph L. 1420 North Madison Fremont, Nebraska	1947	1947		Admissions Counselor Midland College
Rogge, Stanley C. 2225 Washington Lincoln, Nebraska	1956	1956	C	Grace W. E. Haydon
Rohlfing, Edward F. Box 282 Sedalia, Missouri	1935	1950	SE	Trinity
Roseke, Dale W. Stamford, Nebraska	1955	1955	NW	Trinity Ernest Kuhl
Rowoldt, Paul L. Box 37 Sutherland, Nebraska	1955	1955	NW	Grace
Rowoldt, Walter E. Pender, Nebraska	1942	1942	NE	St. Mark Wilbur T. Weddingfeld
Rupley, Kendig W. 6099 Western Omaha, Nebraska	1947	1947	C	Luther Memorial Marvin R. Barnett
Saas, William H. Route #1 Columbus, Nebraska	1925	1952	NE	St. John
Samuelson, David H. 218 East 5th Street Hoisington, Kansas	1954	1956	SW	Emmanuel Clarence L. Wegele
Sauberzweig, R. M., Th.D. Otoe, Nebraska	1927	1938	C	St. John (Otoe) First (Syracuse)
Scherch, Richard O. 4801 East 42nd Street North Kansas City, Missouri, North	1951	1959	SW	Holy Shepherd
Scherf, Royce J. 407 Emerson Alliance, Nebraska	1954	1954	NW	St. John United Carl E. Benzel
Schlichter, Robert E. 301 South 12th Street Tekamah, Nebraska	1954	1954	NE	Emmanuel Charles Rosacker

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Schmidt, Arthur E. Box 227 Lehigh Acres, Florida	1927	1952		Retired
Schmitz, Conrad J. Avenida Bermudez 5469 Rosario, FCNBM Prov. de Santa Fe, Argentina	1954	1954		Missionary
Schoonover, Victor R. 2206 Van Buren Great Bend, Kansas	1959	1959	SW	St. Mark Arthur Dietz
Schricker, Richard W. Moonlight Bay Lodge Walker, Minnesota	1955	1955		Inactive
Schneider, Carl R. Box 82 Linn, Kansas	1957	1957	SE	St. Paul Harold D. Oehmke
Schroeder, Daniel C. Box 297 Emerson, Nebraska	1952	1952	NE	St. Paul's Elmer Wallwey
Shroeder, Martin G., Jr. 708 North Locust Street Grand Island, Nebraska	1949	1949	NW	Messiah Arnold T. Ericksen
Schroeder, Martin, Sr., D.D. 2917 Cedar Avenue Lincoln, Nebraska	1917	1917		Retired
Schroeder, Norman E. Box 44 Lodgepole, Nebraska	1948	1948	NW	Immanuel (Lodgepole) Edwin A. Misegadis Grace (Chappell)
Schuldt, Frederick C., D.D. 340 West 5th Street Fremont, Nebraska	1906	1906		Retired
Schuldt, T.J.C., D.D. Box 115 South Sioux City, Nebraska	1936	1936	NE	First Arthur R. Johansen
Search, George L. 901 South Fifth Street Atchison, Kansas	1932	1932	SE	St. Mark
Seiffert, James L. Washington, Kansas	1952	1959	SW	Good Shepherd Kenneth F. Rogge
Senness, Stanley D. Emerson, Nebraska	1957	1957	NE	St. Luke Frank W. Frey

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Shaft, Jearald J. 8606 East 84th Terrace Raytown 38, Missouri	1957	1957	SE	Christ the King
Shirck, J. Franklin 102 East 8th Street Ellis, Kansas	1945	1945	SW	Christ
Shirck, John K. 203 Lakeview Drive Lee's Summit, Missouri	1947	1958	SE	Martin Luther Everett Carlson
Shirck, Robert E., S.T.M. 120 West 4th Street Wayne, Nebraska	1945	1945	NE	St. Paul
Simon, M. Blaine 3600 Vine Street Lincoln 4, Nebraska	1937	1947		Chaplain Under Appointment, Nebraska Lutheran Social Service
Sindahl, Harvey J. 505 High Drive Wellington, Kansas	1955	1955	SW	St. John Wm. D. Hasenhyer
Slice, John N., S.T.M. 2010 Ninth Street Columbus, Nebraska	1937	1951	NE	Trinity Walter G. Gengenbach
Smith, Clifford 13 Virginia Drive Liberty, Missouri	1959	1959	SE	St. Andrew
Smith, Eugene L. 313 North Elm Eureka, Kansas	1947	1947	SW	Christ
Spath, Levon H. Simbron 3182 Buenos Aires Argentine, South America	1945	1945		Missionary
Spehr, Otto P., Jr. Lutheran Mission Monrovia, Liberia	1943	1943		Missionary
Strecker, Kenneth 1327 South 26th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1958	1958	C	Grace Ben F. Furrow
Sudman, Dean 2900 Queen Lane Philadelphia 29, Pa.	1958	1958		Associate Secretary Luther League of America

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Suhr, Marvin 311 West Fifth Street North Platte, Nebraska	1947	1955	NW	First Robert E. Ramig
Suter, James C. York, Nebraska	1937	1959	C	First (York) A. H. Epp First (McCool Junction) Charles A. Kaliff
Switzer, Ernest W. Hildreth, Nebraska	1944	1943	NW	St. Peter
Tonsing, Ernest F., D.D. 105 North Courtland Topeka, Kansas	1936	1936	SE	First Oscar F. Wessen
Traub, Walter H., D.D., L.L.D. 7703 Pierce St.—#7 Omaha, Nebraska	1913	1931	C	Morning Star Kenneth J. Shaw
Trawny, Henry D. Gurley, Nebraska	1938	1950	NW	Grace
Tychsen, Thomas B. 1716 Almond Avenue Walnut Creek, California	1909	1946		Retired
Utz, Lester M., S.T.M. 6909 East Kellogg Wichita, Kansas	1937	1959	SW	Reformation
Van Boening, Grant R. P.O. Box 404 Hooper, Nebraska	1946	1950	NE	Redeemer Herman G. Suhr
Von Holten, James Ormond Beach, Florida	1960	1960		Mission Developer
Vorrath, Henry 424 East 6th Street Russell, Kansas	1936	1959	SW	Trinity Marvin H. Bender
Weitzenkamp, Louis C. Homer, Nebraska	1932	1946	NW	St. Paul (Homer) Trinity (Hubbard)
Welchert, Hugo H. F. 1701 South 60th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1938	1938	C	St. Matthew Wm. H. Holstad
Wendt, Ewald 9722 San Vincente Avenue South Gate, California	1909	1912		Retired

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Wiegman, Paul C. Box 163 Ponca, Nebraska	1940	1940	NE	Salem Paul C. Peterson
Wiencke, Gustav K., Th.D. 2900 Queen Lane Philadelphia 29, Pa.	1938	1940		Board of Parish Education, ULCA
Wolff, Frederick J. Apartado 2159 San Jose, Costa Rica	1952	1952		Missionary
Wolff, Lorin J., D.D. Bennington, Nebraska	1934	1934	C	St. John George Steinert
Wolff, Wallace J. 801 North 17th Street Kansas City, Kansas	1941	1941	SE	Trinity Ray M. Bottorff
Young, Alfred W., D.D. 4823 Douglas Street Omaha, Nebraska	1926	1944		President of Synod
Youngerman, Ted R. 406 South Ninth Street Nebraska City, Nebraska	1954	1956	C	First
Yurk, Henry Platte Center, Nebraska	1960	1960	NE	Zion (Platte Center) Emmanuel (Madison) Walter H. Botsch
Zahlis, William O., S.T.M. Ellis, Kansas	1906	1939		Retired

LAY DELEGATES OF CONGREGATIONS WITHOUT PASTORS

(As of July 1, 1960)

Central Conference

Hollenberg, Kansas, Redeemer—Mrs. Edna Fielder
Omaha, Nebraska, Kountze Memorial—Mr. John E. Gustafson

Northeast Conference

Allen, Nebraska, First—Mrs. M. B. Simon
Pilger, Nebraska, St. Peter—Mr. Ivan D. Haist

Southeast Conference

Cole Camp, Missouri, United—Edw. E. Herbner

Southwest Conference

Chapman, Kansas, Scherer Memorial—George A. Hanson
Glasco, Kansas, St. Paul—Robert Henning

MINUTES
of the
Ninety-Second Annual Convention of
The Evangelical Lutheran Synod in The Central States

The Ninety-second annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States was opened with the Service of Holy Communion on May 16, 1960 at 3:00 P.M. in First Lutheran Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The Rev. N. Everett Hedeen, President of the West Central Conference, Augustana Lutheran Church preached the sermon, "UNITED WITH CHRIST." President Alfred W. Young served as liturgist, Secretary Hugo H. F. Welchert served as celebrant. Administrants were the conference presidents, Pastors Vernon F. Jacobs, Leland H. Lesher, Walter H. Moeller, Walter E. Rowoldt, George L. Search, and Martin G. Schroeder, Jr.

The Foreign Missions Rally was held Monday evening at 7:30. A panel presentation, moderated by The Rev. J. Frederick Neudoerffer, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, was most interesting and informative. Present and former missionaries of the Central States Synod participating were: Miss Myrtle Wilke, Miss Helene Harder, Mrs. E. G. Wood, The Rev. Conrad Schmitz, The Rev. Lorin Wolff, The Rev. Wallace Wolff, and Mr. Roland Hansen.

TUESDAY, MAY 17, 1960

The morning devotions were conducted by the convention chaplain, The Rev. W. Merle Moebus. The texts for the meditations are from Paul's letters to Timothy. Paul's instruction to Timothy as he administered the life of the Church at Ephesus, with the reoccuring statement "The Saying is Sure", is to be the emphasis of the chaplain's messages.

FIRST SESSION—9:00 A.M.

President Young declared the Ninety-second annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States formally opened, with the "Order for the Opening of Synod."

The convention committee appointments were announced.

The first report of the Committee on Registration was presented by Pastor David Samuelson, giving the following information: Present—149 clergy and 95 lay delegates, 66 visitors, 6 official visitors, and 7 ordinands.

The report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel was presented by Pastor Sherman Frederick.

Letters of greetings from the following were presented: the honorable governor of the State of Oklahoma, J. Howard Edmondson, and the Ohio, Wartburg, Northwest, and Texas and Louisiana Synods.

A motion prevailed that recommended changes on the agenda be adopted.

Pastor Vernon F. Jacobs, host pastor, spoke words of welcome to the convention. Pastor Lorin Wolff responded.

The Report of the Committee on Congregational Interests was presented by Pastor Walter Rowoldt.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONGREGATIONAL INTERESTS

The Committee on Congregational Interests submits the following report:

PART I—Concerning Congregations seeking Synodical membership:

Our Saviour's Evangelical Lutheran Church—Durant, Oklahoma;

Our Lord's Evangelical Lutheran Church—Oklahoma City, Oklahoma;

St Andrew Evangelical Lutheran Church—Liberty, Missouri;

The Gloria Dei Evangelical Lutheran Church—Platte County, Parkville, Missouri;

Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church—Lawton, Oklahoma.

The Constitutions of these Congregations were reviewed by the Committee and were found to conform in all essential elements to the Model Constitution for Congregations, 1958-59 editions, as recommended by The United Lutheran Church in America. Upon proper motions and seconds, your Committee on Congregational Interests voted unanimously to approve the Constitutions of the five above named Congregations.

PART II—Information

The Committee urges Congregations to carefully note these two points in their respective Constitutions:

1)—The Full legal corporate title of Synod—to wit—The Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States, should be noted in appropriate places in Congregational Constitutions.

2)—The legal requirements pertinent in their respective states regarding number of announcements required for Congregational meetings called to deal with any matters concerned with acquisition or disposal of real estate should be carefully noted and incorporated in Congregational Constitutions and should be scrupulously observed.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. R. Goldenstein—C. H. Hansen—Walter E. Rowoldt

Mr. Donald Schafer—Mr. Lowell Hahn

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON NEW CONGREGATIONS

Recommended that the following congregations be received into synod.

Our Saviour's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Durant, Oklahoma, Rev. August W. Homburg, Jr.

Our Lord's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Rev. Roger L. Gieschen

St. Andrew Evangelical Lutheran Church, Liberty, Missouri, Rev. Clifford C. Smith

The Gloria Dei Evangelical Lutheran Church, Platte County, Parkville, Missouri, Rev. Dean Sudman

Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lawton, Oklahoma, Rev. Earl Heuser

A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation.

The congregations were formally received by President Young.

The report of the President was presented by Rev. Alfred W. Young and referred to the Committee on President's Report.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

"Grace be unto you and peace from God the Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ."

We enter the sessions of our ninety-second annual convention fully aware of the fact that we are dependent upon the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Only through that gift of Grace can we do His holy will. More and more pastors are saying that only a deep spiritual life within the church can enable it to render its best service. Even though we are surrounded on every side with rich temporal blessings, we know that we are lacking unless we are also cherishing and coveting for our lives the rich blessings of heaven so freely offered by Christ. As we come into this convention let us come with prayer and thanksgiving.

Our Host Church

First Lutheran Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma, The Rev. Vernon Jacobs, Pastor, offers the use of its fine church for our convention. The congregation was organized March 14, 1909. The first building was erected in 1916, and the present structure was dedicated November 25, 1954. First Church has become one of the strong Lutheran Churches in Oklahoma, with a confirmed membership of 580. We are grateful that fine facilities of this church have been offered to us and we hope our convention will bring inspiration and encouragement to the congregation.

U.L.C.A. Representative

Our hearts are warmed as we learn that the Rev. John W. Rilling, S.T.M., D.D., has been appointed as representative of the United Lutheran Church in America at our convention. Dr. Rilling is serving as Professor of Practical Theology at Hamma Divinity School, Springfield, Ohio. Many will remember him for the deeply spiritual devotional messages he brought to the Dayton Convention of our Church. We welcome Dr. Rilling to our synod and eagerly await his reports.

Secretary of Home Missions

The past year has found Dr. Reno R. Frobenius covering many miles in helping organize and direct organized mission congregations in the establishing of sound church programs and buildings.

His service is valuable and held in high esteem by your president. His report will give a fuller grasp of the scope of his work.

Evangelism

The importance of Evangelism has been made clear to the congregations of synod through the Committee on Evangelism and its Chairman, The Rev. Robert Schlichter. Any failure to get help in this part of the church's work has been due to pastors or congregations turning away from the help that has been offered. The Rev. George Housewright, Area Evangelism Director for the ULCA, has been most helpful. His generous spending of himself and time cannot be fully understood by those outside the synod office.

Stewardship

The growth in giving in 1959 indicated that gratitude for God's love is more freely expressed. The Stewardship Committee has made every effort to help congregations improve the stewardship response. There are always those who just do not care. There are pastors who will close their ears to this part of the work and with these we can have no patience. So much is left undone because so many have failed to respond. God bless those who have helped our synod to make some growth in giving.

The Future

Many are concerned about what the future shall bring. We know what the pattern is for merger, but this will have little to do with the pattern of congregational witness for Christ. Each one of us should be determined that we will bring into the merged church the best possible congregation, the best institution that is possible for us to develop.

Your president commends committees and officers of synod for the assistance they have so readily offered. The office staff, Miss Carolyn Blobaum, Secretary to the President, and Miss Eula Halter, office secretary, has made it possible to complete another year of work with efficiency.

Your president reports quarterly to the Executive Committee regarding his activity. Summarizing the reports, he has had contact with congregations through 42 sermons, 21 talks or addresses, 11 Board meetings, 39 committee meetings, 45 council meetings, and 11 congregational meetings.

ITEMS THAT AFFECT THE ROLL OF SYNOD

Deaths

The Rev. John N. Marxen, retired, died on June 9, 1959, at Columbus, Nebraska. Funeral services were held at Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbus, Nebraska, on June 12, 1959, with the Rev. John N. Slice officiating.

The Rev. John B. Rupley, D.D., pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Dalton, Nebraska, died on January 13, 1960. Funeral services were held on January 19, 1960, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Dalton, Nebraska, with the Rev. T.J.C. Schuldt, D.D., and The Rev. Henry T. Monnich officiating.

The Rev. E. G. Wood, D.D., Missionary to India, died on January 15, 1960, at Fremont, Nebraska. Funeral services were held on January 18, 1960 at Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont, Nebraska, with the Rev. F. D. Boldt, D.D., and The Rev. J. F. Neudoerffer officiating.

Demittals

The Rev. Chesmond Bade
The Rev. Henry Goede

Dismissals

The Rev. Gunnar Alksnis to the Pennsylvania Ministerium, March 17, 1959
The Rev. William Rizer to the Pacific Southwest Synod, May 13, 1959
The Rev. Frederick J. Juilfs to the Pacific Synod, January 26, 1960
The Rev. Samuel W. Jensen to the Illinois Synod, March 14, 1960
The Rev. E. A. Gomann, to the Canada Synod, March 1, 1960
The Rev. Emerson E. Jury to the Western Canada Synod, March 15, 1960

Resignations

The Rev. Arthur E. Schmidt from United, Cole Camp, Missouri, April 15, 1959
The Rev. Robert L. Lesher from St. Paul, Hooper, Nebraska, June 15, 1959
The Rev. Frederick J. Juilfs from Prince of Peace, Bethel, Kansas, July 31, 1959
The Rev. O. Robert Hibbeler from St. Paul, Hardy, Nebraska, August 29, 1959
The Rev. Delbert L. Daire from Trinity, Paxton, Nebraska, July 1, 1959
The Rev. Fred Ollendorf from St. Paul, Northboro, Iowa, August 1, 1959
The Rev. Chesmond Bade from St. Luke, Fort Smith, Arkansas, September 15, 1959
The Rev. Richard W. Schricker from Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas, September 30, 1959
The Rev. LeRoy J. Dobbe from St. Paul, Hastings, Nebraska, October 31, 1959
The Rev. Carl Goede from St. Mark, Valley, Nebraska, December 1, 1959
The Rev. Walter H. Traub, D.D., from Kountze Memorial, Omaha, Nebraska, December 8, 1959
The Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, D.D., from St. Mark, Oshkosh, and Grace, Lewellen, Nebraska, January 15, 1960
The Rev. M. K. Gulbis from Trinity, Winside, Nebraska, March 1, 1960
The Rev. Wilfred H. Henning from Zion, Gothenburg, Nebraska, April 30, 1960
The Rev. Ralph Bergstresser from Kountze Memorial, Omaha, Nebraska, April 1, 1960

Restored to the Roll

Rev. Emerson E. Jury

Calls Accepted

The Rev. Henry Vorrath to Trinity, Russell, Kansas, May 15, 1959

The Rev. Jearald J. Shaft by the Board of American Missions as Mission Developer in Kansas City, Southeast, Missouri, June 1, 1959

The Rev. Arthur Homburg by the Board of American Missions as Mission Developer in Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 1, 1959

The Rev. August W. Homburg, Jr., by the Board of American Missions as Mission Developer in Durant, Oklahoma, June 1, 1959

The Rev. Frederick Pedersen to St. John, Westboro, Missouri, June 1, 1959

The Rev. Victor R. Schoonover to St. Mark, Great Bend, Kansas, June 1, 1959

The Rev. Leo R. Nielsen to Resurrection, Haysville, Kansas, August 1, 1959

The Rev. Robert L. Lesher to Bethlehem, Kansas City, Missouri, June 16, 1959

The Rev. James L. Seiffert to Good Shepherd, Washington, Kansas, July 1, 1959

The Rev. Earl Heuser by the Board of American Missions as Mission Developer in Lawton, Oklahoma, June 1, 1959

The Rev. Carl Deithloff to St. John, Auburn, Nebraska, July 1, 1959

The Rev. O. Robert Hibbeler to St. Paul, Diller, Nebraska, August 30, 1959

The Rev. Delbert L. Daire to Chaplaincy, United States Armed Forces, July 1, 1959

The Rev. Fred Ollendorf to St. John, Leigh, Nebraska, August 1, 1959

The Rev. Donald C. Gates to Prince of Peace, Bethel, Kansas, October 1, 1959

The Rev. James T. Grant to St. Mark, Waterville, Kansas, October 15, 1959

The Rev. Henry E. Moyer to St. Paul, Hardy, and Our Redeemer, Superior, Nebraska, October 1, 1959

The Rev. Carl Goede to St. Paul, Northboro, Iowa, December 1, 1959

The Rev. LeRoy J. Dobbe to St. Paul, Hooper, Nebraska, November 15, 1959

The Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, D.D., to First, South Sioux City, Nebraska, January 15, 1960

The Rev. Norman J. Hansen to Prince of Peace, Hot Springs, Arkansas, December 1, 1959

The Rev. Walter H. Traub, D.D., to Morning Star, Omaha, Nebraska, February 21, 1960

The Rev. Alfred L. Mendenhall to Trinity, Paxton, Nebraska, January 24, 1960

The Rev. Wilfred H. Henning to St. Mark, Oshkosh, and Grace, Lewellen, Nebraska, May 1, 1960

The Rev. Roger Gieschen to Our Lord's, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, January 1, 1960

The Rev. Dean Sudman to Gloria Dei, Parkville, Missouri, February 1, 1960

The Rev. Clifford C. Smith to St. Andrew, Liberty, Missouri, March 1, 1960

The Rev. August W. Homburg, Jr., to Our Saviour, Durant, Oklahoma, January 15, 1960

The Rev. Clarence W. Rhoda to Faith, Little Rock, Arkansas, December 1, 1959

The Rev. John L. Rinde to Messiah, Springfield, Missouri, June 1, 1959

The Rev. M. K. Gulbis to Board of American Missions as Mission Developer in Whitehorse Yukon Territory, Canada

Installations

The Rev. L. C. Weitzenkamp at St. Paul, Homer, and Trinity, Hubbard, Nebraska, May 24, 1959, by the Rev. G. Gieschen

The Rev. Victor R. Schoonover at St. Mark, Great Bend, Kansas, June 14, 1959, by the Rev. Walter H. Moeller, D.D.

The Rev. Frederick Pedersen at St. John, Westboro, Missouri, June 14, 1959, by the Rev. R. R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. Leo R. Nielsen at Resurrection, Haysville, Kansas, June 21, 1959, by the Rev. W. W. Alexander, D.D.

The Rev. John L. Rinde at Messiah, Springfield, Missouri, June 28, 1959, by the Rev. R. R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. Robert L. Lesher at Bethlehem, Kansas City, Missouri, June 28, 1959, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Harvey Bernhardt at First, Rock Port, and St. Peter, Langdon, Missouri, June 28, 1959, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Henry Vorrath at Trinity, Russell, Kansas, July 19, 1959, by the Rev. Otto Matthias

The Rev. James L. Seiffert at Good Shepherd, Washington, Kansas, July 19, 1959, by the Rev. T. D. Rinde, D.D.

The Rev. Carl J. Deithloff at St. John, Auburn, Nebraska, August 2, 1959, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. O. Hibbeler at St. Paul, Diller, Nebraska, August 30, 1959, by the Rev. T. D. Rinde, D.D.

The Rev. Henry Moyer at St. Paul, Hardy, and Our Redeemer, Superior, Nebraska, October 25, 1959, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Donald C. Gates at Prince of Peace, Bethel, Kansas, November 22, 1959, by the Rev. R. R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. James T. Grant at St. Mark, Waterville, Kansas, on November 22, 1959, by the Rev. Arthur H. Pinkall, D.D.

The Rev. LeRoy J. Dobbe at St. Paul, Hooper, Nebraska, November 29, 1959, by the Rev. G. Gieschen, D.D.

The Rev. Carl Goede at St. Paul, Northboro, Iowa, December 27, 1959, by the Rev. R. R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. Norman J. Hansen at Prince of Peace, Hot Springs, Arkansas, December 27, 1959, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Roger Gieschen at Our Lord's, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, January 3, 1960, by the Rev. G. Gieschen, D.D.

The Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, D.D. at First, South Sioux City, Nebraska, January 24, 1960, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. August W. Homburg, Jr., at Our Saviour, Durant, Oklahoma, January 3, 1960, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Clarence W. Rhoda at Faith, Little Rock, Arkansas, February 7, 1960, by the Rev. R. R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. Walter H. Traub, D.D., at Morning Star, Omaha, Nebraska, February 21, 1960, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Dean Sudman at Gloria Dei, Parkville, Missouri, February 28, 1960, by the Rev. R. R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. Clifford C. Smith at St. Andrew, Liberty, Missouri, March 6, 1960, by the Rev. R. R. Frobenius, D.D.

Ordinations

The Rev. Donald C. Gates, called to Prince of Peace, Bethel, Kansas; ordained on October 2, 1959, at Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D., with the Rev. Robert L. Lesher, the Rev. Harry R. Allen, and the Rev. G. Gieschen, D.D., assisting.

The Rev. Norman J. Hansen, called to Prince of Peace, Hot Springs, Arkansas; ordained on December 27, 1959, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

Foreign Missionaries

The Rev. Robert H. Buhr, Under Appointment to Argentina
The Rev. Daniel Breunsbach in Japan
The Rev. Thomas Graham in Malaya
The Rev. Paul Hansen in British Guiana
The Rev. Dennis Koch in Japan
The Rev. Robert Kocher in Malaya
The Rev. Glenn H. Kranzow in China
The Rev. Louis L'Heureux in Japan
The Rev. John Nelson in Malaya
The Rev. Henning Pearson in Tanganyika
The Rev. Conrad Schmitz in Argentina
The Rev. Levon Spath in Argentina
The Rev. Paul O. Spehr in Africa
The Rev. Fred Wolff in Central America

Pastors Serving Outside The Territory of Synod

The Rev. Delbert L. Daire, Chaplain, Ft. Rucker, Alabama
The Rev. Wayne Daubenspeck, Service Commissioner in Japan
The Rev. Fred Henkel, Serving under the Board of American Missions in Salt Lake City, Utah

The Rev. Fred W. Kern, Battle Creek, Michigan, Office of Religious Affairs, Civil Defense Administration
The Rev. Gustav K. Wiencke Jr., Th.D., Board of Parish Education, Philadelphia, Pa.
The Rev. M. K. Gulbis, Under the Board of American Missions, Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, Canada

Pastors Not Under Call

The Rev. Edwin Bastian, Kutztown, Pennsylvania, inactive
The Rev. Otto Bergfelder, Waverly, Iowa, retired
The Rev. J. A. Bahnsen, Lipscomb, Texas, retired
The Rev. H. C. Cordts, Wilber, Nebraska, retired
The Rev. J. O. Ensrud, Alexandria, Virginia, retired
The Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, D.D., Fremont, Nebraska, retired
The Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, Holdrege, Nebraska, retired
The Rev. Herman Joens, Fremont, Nebraska, retired
The Rev. William A. Klink, Sacramento, California, retired
The Rev. A. H. Klickman, Streator, Illinois, inactive
The Rev. Arthur M. Knudsen, D.D., Omaha, Nebraska, retired
The Rev. Paul C. Kuehner, Diller, Nebraska, retired
The Rev. Theodore Kuehner, Clearwater, Minnesota, retired
The Rev. H. Lenser, Hanover, Kansas, retired
The Rev. Fred Loeffler, Denver, Colorado, retired
The Rev. John A. McCullough, D.D., Kansas City, Missouri, retired
The Rev. E. J. Moede, Millard, Nebraska, pulpit supply
The Rev. Rudolph Moehring, Manhattan, Kansas, retired
The Rev. F. W. Nolte, D.D., Syracuse, Nebraska, retired
The Rev. V. R. Pietzko, Lincoln, Nebraska, retired
The Rev. C. Rautenstrauss, Wheatridge, Colorado, retired
The Rev. H. O. Rhode, Council Bluffs, Iowa, retired
The Rev. Richard Schricker, Walker, Minnesota, inactive
The Rev. Arthur Schmidt, Lehigh Acres, Florida, retired
The Rev. Martin Schroeder, D.D., Lincoln, Nebraska, retired
The Rev. F. C. Schuldt, D.D., Fremont, Nebraska, retired
The Rev. Thomas Tyschen, Walnut Creek, California, retired
The Rev. E. Wendt, South Gate, California, retired
The Rev. Wallace Wolff, Kansas City, Missouri, Chaplaincy Training
The Rev. W. A. Zahlis, Ellis, Kansas, retired

Deaconess Serving in the Synod

Sister Dorothy Stalder, First St. Paul's, Hastings, Nebraska

Vacancies

(As of March 1, 1960)

Central Conference

Langdon, Missouri, St. Peter
Hampton, Nebraska, Emmanuel—Supplied by Rev. Theo. M. Hansen

Ohiowa, Nebraska, Grace—Supplied by Pastor Paul Kuehner
Omaha, Nebraska, Grace
Omaha, Nebraska, Kountze Memorial
Stella, Nebrasak, Trinity—Supplied by Pastor F. Freytag
Sutton, Nebraska, Zion—Supplied by ALC pastor from Clay Center
Valley, Nebraska, St. Mark—Resident Supply—Seminarian Faye Miller
Verdon, Nebraska, St. Mark

Northeast Conference

Ames, Nebraska, Resurrection—Resident Supply
Winside, Nebraska, Trinity

Northwest Conference

Blue Hill, Nebraska, St. Paul—Student Lawrence Fruhling accepted call
Dalton, Nebraska, Trinity—Student Ron Norman accepted call
Oshkosh, St. Mark, and Lewellen, Grace, Nebraska—Pastor Wilfred Henning accepted call
Gothenburg, Nebraska, Zion—Vacant May 1, 1960
Hastings, Nebraska, St. Paul—Supplied through Central Seminary

Southeast Conference

Cole Camp, Missouri, United
Kansas City, Kansas, Trinity

Southwest Conference

Greenleaf, Kansas, Trinity
Home, Kansas, Friedens—Student Uldis Cepure accepted call
Mentor, Kansas, St. Paul—Supplied through Bethany College
New Cambria, Kansas, Peace—Supplied through Bethany College
Norcatur, Kansas, St. Mark—Supplied by ALC pastor from Oberlin
Wilson, Kansas, Excelsior—Supplied by Augustana Licensed Layman

Southern Conference

Fort Smith, Arkansas, St. Luke—Student Ray Peters accepted call
Perry, Oklahoma, Zion—Student David Gieschen accepted call
Darrouzett, Texas, St. Paul—Student Leland Diekhoff accepted call
Lipscomb, Texas, St. John—Resident Supply—Pastor J. A. Bahnsen

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Ministers

The Rev. H. J. Brede, S.T.D., from the Indiana Synod
The Rev. Carl J. Deithloff from the Texas-Louisiana Synod
The Rev. Donald C. Gates, ordained October 2, 1959

The Rev. James T. Grant from the Pacific Southwest Synod
The Rev. Norman J. Hansen, ordained December 27, 1959
The Rev. Alfred L. Mendenhall from the Pacific Synod
The Rev. Henry Moyer from the Mississippi Synod
The Rev. Clarence W. Rhoda from the Pennsylvania Ministerium
The Rev. James L. Seiffert from the Iowa Synod

Candidates

Uldis Cepure, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by Friedens Church, Home, Kansas
Leland Diekhoff, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by St. Paul's, Darrouzett, Texas
James Felton, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by St. Peter, Langdon, Missouri
Lawrence, D. Fruhling, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by St. Paul, Blue Hill, Nebraska
David Gieschen, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by Zion, Perry, Oklahoma
Rudolph Jenny, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by the Board of Foreign Missions
Ray Peters, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by St. Luke, Fort Smith, Ark.
James von Holten, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by the Board of American Missions
Henry Yurk, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by Zion, Platte center, and Immanuel, Madison, Nebraska

Congregations

St. Andrew, Liberty, Missouri
Gloria Dei, Parkville, Missouri
Our Saviour, Durant, Oklahoma
Our Lord's, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Anniversary Observances

Benedict, Nebraska, Zion, and Polk, Trinity—25th anniversary of ordination of Rev. B. A. Barnell
Dakota City, Nebraska, Salem—35th anniversary of ordination of Rev. Carl Empson
Grand Island, Nebraska, Messiah—10th anniversary of ordination of Rev. Martin G. Schroeder, Jr.
Lincoln, Nebraska, United—25th anniversary of ordination of Rev. H. G. Knaub, and 25th wedding anniversary of Pastor and Mrs. Knaub
Louisville, Nebraska, Christ—40th anniversary of ordination of Rev. A. B. J. Lentz, D.D.

Scribner, Nebraska, St. John—50th wedding anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. Ewald Wendt observed, also 50th anniversary of ordination of Pastor Wendt
Stillwater, Oklahoma, Salem—25th anniversary of ordination of Rev. A. J. Duis, also 25th wedding anniversary of Pastor and Mrs. Duis.

EVENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS

Atchison, Kansas, St. Mark—New doors to church building and extensive improvements to the parsonage.

Bethel, Kansas, Prince of Peace—Broke ground for new church building.

Chapman, Kansas, Scherer Memorial—Remodeled chancel.

Eureka, Kansas, Christ—Central heating installed with summer air conditioning.

Hanover, Kansas, Zion—Improvements to the parsonage.

Hays, Kansas, Trinity—Congregation decided to relocate, a lot has been purchased, and a building fund established.

Linn, Kansas, St. Paul—Interior of church painted.

New Cambria, Kansas, Peace—Dedication of redecorated church.

Noractur, Kansas, St. Mark—Improvements to the church building.

Salina, Kansas, St. John—Completion of educational annex.

Washington, Kansas, Good Shepherd—10th anniversary of congregation.

Waterville, Kansas, St. Mark—Parsonage remodeled.

Wellington, Kansas, St. John—Burning of parsonage mortgage, and plans for new church building and educational unit.

Wichita, Kansas, St. Paul—50th anniversary of the congregation.

Kansas City, Missouri, Children's Memorial—75th anniversary of congregation.

St. Joseph, Missouri, First English—New parking lot, new boiler, and new organ.

Westboro, Missouri, St. John—Dedication of new parsonage.

Alliance, Nebraska, St. John United—Congregation became self-supporting. Two weekday classes organized for 6th and 7th grades.

Auburn, Nebraska, St. John—Church and parsonage re-roofed, parsonage redecorated, and plans for modernizing interior of church. All building exterior painted.

Auburn, Nebraska, St. Paul—75th anniversary of congregation.

Benedict, Nebraska, Zion—New banquet tables, choir chairs, and symbols for paraments. Improvements to the parsonage.

Bellevue, Nebraska, Immanuel—Congregation became self-supporting. Building Committee formed.

Bennington, Nebraska, St. John—Decision to relocate, architect engaged, and plans underway for a new church.

Columbus, Nebraska, Good Shepherd—Adopted the model constitution and changed the name of the congregation from United Evangelical Lutheran to Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Columbus, Nebraska, St. John—New public address system.

Columbus, Nebraska, Trinity—Plans for a new church edifice and educational unit.

Creston, Nebraska, St. Peter—50th anniversary of the congregation.

Eagle, Nebraska, Trinity—New roof put on church.

Emerson, Nebraska, St. Luke—Plans for building a new parsonage.

Emerson, Nebraska, St. Paul—25th anniversary of organization of local brotherhood.

Fremont, Nebraska, Salem—Completed educational unit.

Fontanelle, Nebraska, Salem—Extensive repairs and improvements to the church.

Falls City, Nebraska, St. Peter—90th anniversary of the congregation.

Gothenburg, Nebraska, Zion—New furnace installed in parish hall.

Grand Island, Nebraska, Messiah—Dedication of a new parsonage and aquisition of second residence for parish education purposes.

Grand Island, Nebraska, St. Paul—Plans for a new church building.

Gurley, Nebraska, Grace—Dedication of enlarged chancel, new pulpit, also installation of new heating plant in church.

Hardy, Nebraska, St. Paul—New outdoor bulletin board.

Hastings, Nebraska, Immanuel—Improvements to church basement. New doors for church, new communion cup, and RSV Lectern Bible.

Hastings, Nebraska, First St. Paul—Purchased additional property near church.

Hildreth, Nebraska, St. Peter—Minor improvements to the church.

Homer, Nebraska, St. Paul—Dedication of public address system, offering plates, and three sets paraments.

Leigh, Nebraska, St. John—Improvements to the church . . . new art glass windows and public address system.

Lindy, Nebraska, Good Shepherd—Dedication of new hymn board, baptismal font, altar vases, and improvements to the church kitchen.

Lodge Pole, Nebraska, Immanuel—Improvements to the parsonage basement. New individual communion set and new chancel flower stands.

Louisville, Nebraska, Christ—All church property painted. Interior of church redecorated. Ladies Aid celebrated 50th anniversary.

McCool Junction, Nebraska, First—Church interior painted.

Nebraska City, Nebraska, First—Dedication of new church edifice and educational unit.

Niobrara, Nebraska, Niobrara—New electronic organ dedicated. Church building remodeled and painted, improvements to the church lawn.

North Platte, Nebraska, First—Purchased house for education purposes, and a house and two lots to be used for parking lot.

Omaha, Nebraska, First English—Ground breaking for educational unit.

Omaha, Nebraska, Our Redeemer—Removed two cottages from property south of church building and had it landscaped.

Omaha, Nebraska, Pilgrim—4th anniversary of the congregation. Congregation voted to relocate.

Omaha, Nebraska, St. Matthew—Corner lot with house purchased for parsonage. Present parsonage to become parish house. Amplifying system installed in church and fellowship hall. New robes for Youth Choir.

Pender, Nebraska, St. Mark—Dedication of educational unit.

Pender, Nebraska, St. Peter—Ground broken and cornerstone laid for new church.

Polk, Nebraska, Trinity—Dedication of piano, pulpit lamp, altar vases. Water heater and improvements to church basement.

Rising City, Nebraska, First—Plan to build educational unit, parsonage reroofed, and a new hot water heater installed in church kitchen.

Scribner, Nebraska, St. John Ridgely—An acre of ground was given *for parking space.*

Scribner, Nebraska, St. John—Began remodeling church and parsonage.

Scribner, Nebraska, United—Dedication of all new Colonial church furniture. Improvements to the church basement.

South Sioux City, Nebraska, First—Dedication of new educational unit and parish hall.

Spencer, Nebraska, United—Purchased adjoining property. New roof on parsonage.

Stamford, Nebraska, Trinity—Construction began on educational unit.

Stella, Nebraska, Trinity—Parsonage exterior painted.

Sterling, Nebraska, St. John—Parish hall dedicated.

Sutherland, Nebraska, Grace—New chalice, offering plate, and golden oak pulpit.

Tekamah, Nebraska, Emmanuel—Approval of plans for new parish education unit and completion of purchase of additional property.

Walton, Nebraska, Grace—New oil furnace installed in the church.

Wolbach, Nebraska, Trinity—55th anniversary of the congregation.

York, Nebraska, First—Purchased a church building site.

Yutan, Nebraska, St. John—Church redecorated and painted.

Midwest City, Oklahoma, St. Mark—Church site purchased.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, First—Kitchen and pastor's study renovated. Memorial Altar Fund received, parking lot paid for, and roof repairs to the church.

Perry, Oklahoma, Zion—Purchased a parsonage and plans for separating from Stillwater in 1960.

Tulsa, Oklahoma, Ascension—Congregation broke ground for first unit.

Darrouzett, Texas, St. Paul—Building Fund started for church improvements.

The Report of the Secretary was presented by Pastor Hugo H. F. Welchert.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

The Secretary of the Synod has carried out the duties of the office, including the instructions of the Synod and the Executive Committee, to the best of his ability. The Minutes of the 1959 Convention were printed and distribution made to all congregations and pastors. Signed copies of these minutes with corrections noted have been made ready to turn over to the Archivist of Synod.

Hugo H. F. Welchert, Secretary

The Report of the Treasurer was presented by Paul H. Palmquist.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD IN THE CENTRAL STATES

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 11, 1959 THROUGH JANUARY 12, 1960

BALANCE—January 11, 1959			$ 23,492.69
RECEIPTS:			
Apportionment		$536,843.78	
Lutheran World Action		59,238.96	
Midland College:			
Appeal	$ 54,131.95		
Other	1,903.58	56,035.53	
Central Seminary		2,692.25	
Tabitha Home		5,915.65	
Nebraska Lutheran Social Service		5,582.20	
Lutheran Student Foundations		302.00	
Non-synodical		933.15	
United Lutheran Church of America—specials		9,949.84	
Mission 10 Club—1958		362.55	
Mission 10 Club—1959		4,519.38	
Home Missions:			
Loans from Board of American Missions	373,800.00		
Other	50,424.82	424,224.82	
Camp Wa Shun Ga—Balance of Cash on hand at end of camp period		8,805.69	
Repayment of funds advanced		8,450.00	
Synod convention receipts		1,273.60	
Miscellaneous		913.81	
Total receipts			1,126,103.21
Total			1,149,595.90
DISBURSEMENTS—As shown by Page 3			1,117,562.18
BALANCE—January 12, 1960			$ 32,033.72
SUMMARY OF BALANCE—January 12, 1960:			
On deposit—The United States National Bank			$ 32,013.72
Petty cash fund			20.00
TOTAL			$ 32,033.72

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD
IN THE CENTRAL STATES

CASH DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 11, 1959 THROUGH
JANUARY 12, 1960

United Lutheran Church of America:		
Apportionment	$294,633.95	
Specials	9,855.29	
Lutheran World Action	59,298.97	$ 363,788.21
Tabitha Home:		
Apportionment	13,500.00	
Specials	5,976.81	19,476.81
Midland College:		
Apportionment	89,820.00	
Specials	1,903.58	
Appeal	54,131.95	145,855.53
Central Seminary:		
Apportionment	28,800.00	
Special	2,631.09	31,431.09
Nebraska Lutheran Social Service:		
Apportionment	2,000.00	
Specials	5,589.20	7,589.20
Lutheran Student Foundation, Nebraska:		
Apportionment	4,928.00	
Building	2,500.00	
Specials	145.00	7,573.00
Lutheran Student Foundation, Kansas:		
Apportionment	572.00	
Specials	315.75	887.75
Home missions:		
Allowance to various pastors for salaries, etc.	14,084.57	
Other	420,753.55	434,838.12
Advance to pastor		600.00
Ministerial Education		4,608.34
Parish Education		1,059.87
Board and Committees—travel and miscellaneous		7,782.42
Executive officers' expense:		
Salaries and rent allowances	19,399.80	
Travel	9,279.91	28,679.71

Office salaries	6,480.00	
Less allocated to Home Missions	3,080.00	3,400.00
Office supplies and expense		10,098.33
Evangelism		1,432.04
Camp Wa Shun Ga:		
Loans and interest	5,000.00	
New cabins	5,000.00	
Other	137.58	10,137.58
Mortgage payments—church house		2,400.00
Board of pensions		1,724.24
FORWARD		$1,083,362.24
TOTAL—(Forward)		$1,083,362.24
Director of Internal Revenue—social security and income tax withheld		1,584.14
Repairs, painting, and miscellaneous—church house		529.08
Furniture and fixtures		99.00
Central Lutheran		8,940.54
Archivist expense		333.69
Mission 10 Club—1958		500.00
Mission 10 Club—1959		85.00
Synodical relief		540.00
Publication of minutes and bulletins		7,655.63
Advance to churches		10,735.00
Stewardship		1,932.89
1959 Synod conventions		754.75
Miscellaneous		1,921.14
		1,118,973.10
Less pensions, withholding taxes, and social security taxes withheld from salaries		1,410.92
TOTAL		$1,117,562.18

LUTHERAN SYNOD 92ND CONVENTION
THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD
IN THE CENTRAL STATES

BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 12, 1960
(PREPARED FROM THE GENERAL RECORDS OF THE SYNOD WITHOUT AUDIT)

A S S E T S

CASH:		
On deposit	$32,013.72	
Office fund	20.00	
Total cash on hand and on deposit		$ 32,033.72

RECEIVABLES:			
Durant, Oklahoma, Mission		83.90	
42nd and Bancroft, Church		1,102.60	
Hot Springs, Arkansas, Mission		110.00	
Kansas City, Missouri, Church		2,403.01	
Kansas City, Missouri—South, Mission		100.00	
Kansas City, Missouri—North, Mission		3,220.74	
Kansas City Missouri—Southeast, Mission		233.80	
Lawton, Oklahoma, Mission		467.07	
Lee's Summit, Missouri, Church		76.60	
Little Rock, Arkansas, Mission		473.46	
Midwest City, Oklahoma, Mission		500.00	
Morning Star Church		720.00	
Muskogee, Oklahoma, Mission		320.78	
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma—Northwest, Mission		44.27	
Our Saviour's, Broken Bow, Nebraska, Church		1,100.00	
Pilgrim Lutheran Church		1,235.00	
Trinity, Polk, Nebraska, Church		5,226.89	
Prince of Peace, Bethel, Kansas, Church		188.00	
Ralston, Nebraska, Church		925.32	
Sedalia, Missouri, Church		400.00	
Saint Matthews, Omaha, Church		1,050.00	
Springfield, Missouri, Church		551.37	
Tulsa, Oklahoma—Northeast, Mission		856.26	
Advance to pastor		500.00	
Total receivables			21,889.07
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:			
Church house—4823 Douglas Street, Omaha		29,000.00	
Improvements to church house		3,332.27	
Furniture and fixtures		7,318.66	
Camp Wa Shun Ga:			
Swimming pool	$41,264.60		
Cabins	5,000.00	46,264.60	
Total property and equipment			85,915.53
TOTAL			$139,838.32

LIABILITIES

NOTES PAYABLE—The United States National Bank—unsecured—Camp Wa Shun Ga construction (payable $4,000.00 annually)	$ 16,000.00

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:			
Estate of E. S. H. Nuswanger		$ 3,000.00	
Convention Fund		2,872.64	
Blue Springs, Missouri, Mission		200.00	
Haysville, Kansas, Mission		394.64	
Kansas City, Missouri—Northwest, Mission		3,920.73	
Kansas City, Missouri—Northeast, Mission		3,145.04	
Kent Memorial, Sunrise Beach, Missouri, Church		151.72	
Liberty, Missouri, Mission		4,006.85	
Lincoln, Nebraska—Southeast, Mission		99.78	
Mission 10-1958 (allocated by Home Mission Committee)		4,104.10	
Mission 10-1959		4,434.38	
Omaha—Northwest, Mission		175.00	
Wichita, Kansas (Westlink), Mission		106.23	
Other accounts payable		1,006.28	
Total accounts payable			27,617.39
MORTGAGE NOTE PAYABLE—Omaha			
Loan and Building Association, secured by first mortgage on church house and payable $200.00 monthly			8,631.66
NET WORTH:			
Estate of Anna Huebeck Revolving Fund		12,030.93	
Estate of Alfred W. Augustin		4,581.22	
Midwest Synod Revolving Fund		4,311.85	
Home Mission Extension Fund		5,035.63	
Saint Marks Fund, Omaha		9,523.44	
Church house account		20,368.34	
Camp Wa Shun Ga:			
Paid-in equity	$30,264.60		
Camp surplus	1,473.26	31,737.86	
Total net worth			87,589.27
TOTAL			$139,838.32

The accompanying Notes to Balance Sheet constitute an integral part of this statement.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD
IN THE CENTRAL STATES

NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 12, 1960
(PREPARED FROM THE GENERAL RECORDS OF THE SYNOD WITHOUT AUDIT)

NOTE A—The Synod is indebted to the United States National Bank, Omaha, Nebraska, in the amount of $47,000.00 not shown on the balance sheet for funds borrowed for various mission projects which have been approved by the Board of American Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America. These loans will utimately be paid by the Board of American Missions and the Synod will be released from all liability thereunder without payment.

NOTE B—The Synod was contingently liable to financing institutions at January 12, 1960 on mortgage notes on various church properties amounting to $20,921.38.

HASKINS & SELLS
Certified Public Accountants

912 First National Bank Building
Omaha 2
February 16, 1960

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod
in the Central States
Omaha, Nebraska

Dear Sirs:

We have examined the statement of cash receipts and disbursements of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States for the period from January 11, 1959 through January 12, 1960. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. With respect to cash receipts, it was generally not practicable to verify the various items other than to account for the receipts as recorded.

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of cash receipts and disbursements presents fairly the recorded transactions of the Synod for the period from January 11, 1959 through January 12, 1960.

Submitted on pages 5 and 6 of this report is a balance sheet of the Synod as of January 12, 1960. In accordance with the terms of our engagement, this balance sheet is presented as shown on the records and has not been audited by us. For this reason, we do not express an opinion on the over-all fairness of the balance sheet.

Yours truly,
Haskins & Sells

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod In The Central States

January 11, 1959 to January 12, 1960, Inclusive (12 Months)

Location of Church and Name	Benevolence Quota	Amount Paid	%	L.W.A. Quota	Amount Paid	%	Midland Appeal Paid	Specials Paid
ARKANSAS—								
Fort Smith, St. Luke	$ 2,398.00	$ 765.54	32	$ 253.00	$ 40.00	16	$	$ .....
Hot Springs, Prince of Peace	.....	297.20	....					
Little Rock, Faith	.....	685.35	....					
IOWA—								
Northboro, St. Paul	1,442.00	978.60	68	152.00	158.98	104½	.....	24.00
KANSAS—								
Abilene, Trinity	3,597.00	3,597.00	100	379.00	379.00	100	100.00	.....
Atchison, St. Mark	4,812.00	3,283.02	68	507.00	211.04	42	26.00	115.25
Beloit, Zion	3,840.00	2,866.07	75	405.00	269.75	67	34.00	71.85
Bendena, St. John	3,446.00	2,850.25	83	363.00	365.76	101	80.50	24.25
Bethel, Prince of Peace	1,351.00	442.63	33	142.00	.....	....	26.50	23.66
Chapman, Scherer Memorial	1,639.00	1,639.00	100	173.00	173.00	100	390.00	.....
Ellis, Christ	4,417.00	4,417.00	100	466.00	486.00	104	430.50	2.00
Emporia, St. Mark	3,188.00	3,188.00	100	336.00	336.00	100	5.00	82.63
Eureka, Christ	2,049.00	1,907.73	93	215.00	215.00	100	412.50	.....
Glasco, St. Paul	2,110.00	2,288.44	108	222.00	259.76	117	291.00	63.00
Great Bend, St. Mark	2,763.00	1,218.00	44	292.00	148.29	51	.....	24.60
Greenleaf, Trinity	1,397.00	678.97	49	147.00	35.25	23	21.00	.....
Hanover, Zion	3,855.00	2,274.83	59	406.00	421.07	104	300.00*	.....
Hays, Trinity	2,732.00	2,792.43	102	288.00	293.90	102	349.30	.....
Haysville, Resurrection	.....	904.48	....	.....	.....	....	4.00	.....
Hoisington, Emmanuel	2,383.00	2,243.09	94	251.00	251.00	100	130.01	.....
Hollenberg, Redeemer	622.00	390.20	63	66.00	50.82	77	.....	.....
Home, Friedens	1,214.00	606.00	50	128.00	.....	....	11.80	15.00
Hutchinson, Zion	3,415.00	1,111.46	32½	360.00	360.42	100+	.....	28.75
Kansas City, Trinity	3,552.00	3,552.00	100	374.00	374.00	100	.....	347.76
Lancaster, St. John	1,989.00	1,024.26	51	210.00	26.00	12	1.00	136.00
Lawrence, Trinity	7,802.00	8,004.74	103	822.00	822.00	100	2,508.00	997.75
Linn, St. Paul	1,336.00	619.53	46	141.00	145.79	103½	25.00	.....
Mentor, St. Paul	987.00	391.18	40	104.00	32.26	31	.....	70.55
New Cambria, Peace	501.00	283.70	57	53.00	8.55	16	.....	.....
Norcatur, St. Mark	228.00	228.00	100	24.00	24.00	100	.....	.....
Peabody, St. Paul	1,518.00	443.96	29	160.00	65.00	41	221.95	.....

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Perth, St. James	213.00	167.31	78½	22.00	17.27	78½	.....	.....
Prairie Village, Faith	6,466.00	8,000.00	124	682.00	682.00	100	2,000.00	510.73
Russell, St. John	10,321.00	10,321.00	100	1,088.00	1,088.00	100	3,993.00	100.00
Russell, Trinity	1,715.00	976.50	57	181.00	35.55	19½	363.00	.....
Salina, St. John	9,927.00	10,124.40	102	1,046.00	1,046.00	100	1,154.50	81.12
Topeka, First	4,569.00	4,569.00	100	482.00	482.00	100	.....	1.77
Valley Falls, St. Paul	1,230.00	1,230.00	100	130.00	130.00	100	533.00	.....
Wakeeney, Bethlehem	2,565.00	2,123.18	83	270.00	270.00	100	149.45	52.04
Wakeeney, Zion	1,973.00	1,233.93	62½	208.00	231.44	111	341.50	24.55
Washington, Good Shepherd	1,822.00	.....	....	192.00	100.00	52	.....	.....
Waterville, St. Mark	3,005.00	2,135.93	71	317.00	324.90	102	274.33	.....
Wellington, St. John	1,579.00	990.00	63	166.00	174.75	105	50.00	79.30
Wichita, Reformation	2,640.00	2,640.00	100	278.00	14.82	5	.....	.....
Wichita, St. Paul	9,122.00	9,122.00	100	962.00	962.00	100	458.34	611.66
Wilson, Excelsior	668.00	756.91	113	70.00	77.11	110	63.00	33.31
MISSOURI—								
Cole Camp, United	1,518.00	1,519.00	100+	160.00	188.40	118	62.75	.....
Columbia, St. Andrew	1,139.00	1,139.00	100	120.00	120.00	100	.....	.....
Kansas City, Bethlehem	3,597.00	3,045.00	85	379.00	.....	....	.....	.....
Kansas City, Childrens	4,478.00	5,000.00	111	472.00	615.00	130	.....	.....
Kansas City S.E. Christ the King	.....	30.00	....	.....	30.00	....	.....	.....
Kansas City, Reformation	1,063.00	1,063.00	100	112.00	54.00	48	.....	.....
Kansas City, Holy Shepherd	.....	39.00	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Kansas City, St. Mark	8,819.00	7,021.68	80	830.00	355.05	43	128.00	4,145.39
Kansas City, Gloria Dei	.....	536.80	....	.....	11.60	....	38.76	.....
Langdon, St. Peter	1,336.00	1,336.00	100	141.00	141.00	100	.....	251.58
Lee's Summit, Martin Luther	972.00	625.00	64	102.00	.....	....	.....	.....
Liberty, St. Andrews	.....	224.00	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Raytown, Trinity	2,717.00	2,712.00	100—	282.00	488.00	173	792.00	.....
Raytown, Christ the King	.....	60.00	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Rock Port, First	3,795.00	3,846.80	101	400.00	400.00	100	930.93	269.78
St. Joseph, First English	7,984.00	8,144.00	102	842.00	1,000.00	119	500.00	100.92
Sedalia, Trinity	1,822.00	1,822.00	100	192.00	192.00	100	275.35	22.40
Springfield, Messiah	.....	676.54	....	.....	44.30	....	.....	24.00
Sunrise Beach, Kent Memorial	1,412.00	1,469.39	104	149.00	151.53	101½	20.50	.....
Westboro. St. John	3,795.00	3,795.00	100	400.00	400.00	100	210.00	76.00
NEBRASKA—								
Allen, First	2,201.00	1,750.00	79½	232.00	240.00	103	2.00	5.50
Alliance, St. John	3,370.00	2,714.91	80½	355.00	351.05	99	350.94	10.00

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Ames, Resurrection	486.00	25.00	5	51.00	.....	....	.....	.....
Auburn, St. John	2,823.00	1,811.55	64	298.00	226.20	76	30.00	39.08
Auburn, St. Paul	5,980.00	6,116.00	102	630.00	664.95	105½	336.91	38.00
Beatrice, Trinity	1,822.00	1.822.00	100	192.00	243.00	126½	55.00	20.00
Bellevue, Immanuel	2,019.00	2,221.50	110	203.00	187.25	92	118.00	100.00
Benedict, Zion	1,609.00	947.00	59	170.00	171.00	100+	.....	115.32
Bennington, St. John	5,085.00	4,175.24	82	536.00	581.20	108	2,140.95	260.80
Bloomfield, St. Mark	6,208.00	4,490.55	72	654.00	654.07	100+	220.50	104.75
Blue Hill, St. Paul	2,747.00	1,499.09	54½	290.00	131.00	45	13.63	201.49
Broadwater, Messiah	1,503.00	1,007.00	67	157.00	73.57	47	8.00	47.77
Broken Bow, Our Saviour	789.00	237.15	30	83.00	47.10	57	4.50	5.34
Chappell, Grace	820.00	116.23	14	86.00	28.99	34	25.00	.....
Columbus, St. John	3,613.00	2,788.59	77	381.00	394.77	104	58.00	169.56
Columbus, Trinity	8,743.00	9,208.00	105	922.00	970.00	105	383.00	14.15
Columbus, United	1,518.00	1,013.99	67	160.00	84.60	53	36.40	5.00
Creston, St. Peter	2,110.00	2,110.00	100	222.00	96.82	44	220.00	.....
Dakota City, Salem	3,597.00	3,597.00	100	379.00	379.00	100	500.00	455.00
Dalton, Trinity	1,913.00	1,913.00	100	202.00	202.00	100	.....	.....
Davenport, Christ	3,036.00	3,036.00	100	320.00	102.10	32	57.00	53.45
Diller, St. Paul	3,081.00	300.00	10—	325.00	329.27	101	62.03	38.79
Diller, Zion	911.00	651.42	71½	96.00	200.21	208½	.....	50.00
Eagle, Trinity	273.00	125.47	46	29.00	32.50	112	.....	.....
Emerson, St. Luke	3,188.00	2,496.35	78	336.00	344.25	102	112.94	.....
Emerson, St. Paul	3,188.00	3,188.00	100	336.00	336.00	100	800.91	348.30
Falls City, St. Paul	6,512.00	4,917.29	75½	685.00	686.00	100+	1,509.65	357.93
Falls City, St. Peter	1,290.00	1,361.08	105½	137.00	142.50	104	50.00	.....
Fontanelle, Salem	2,520.00	2,707.46	107	266.00	256.00	100	115.45	187.86
Fremont, Salem	14,146.00	9,200.60	65	1,491.00	840.25	56	4,378.40	1,040.46
Glenvil, St. Paul	1,366.00	1,366.00	100	144.00	144.00	100	138.50	29.00
Gothenburg, Zion	2,080.00	1,615.00	78	219.00	179.00	82	641.00	148.43
Grand Island, Messiah	8,849.00	7,357.72	83	923.00	760.41	82	1,306.96	227.75
Grand Island, St. Paul	18,715.00	16,762.30	89½	1,973.00	1,973.04	100+	127.25	121.00
Greta, Resurrection	4,022.00	3,277.93	81½	424.00	424.00	100	438.00	.....
Gurley, Grace	1,973.00	1,973.00	100	208.00	208.00	100	224.77	12.00
Hampton, Emmanuel	972.00	471.00	48	102.00	104.00	100+	.....	.....
Hardy, St. Paul	1,336.00	325.00	24	141.00	5.00	3½	.....	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	1,032.00	1,032.00	100	109.00	209.00	192	94.00	.....
Hastings, First St. Paul	16,787.00	16,803.59	100+	1,770.00	1,810.75	102	3,337.33	193.93
Hastings, St. Paul	1,624.00	344.08	21	171.00	31.30	18	.....	13.00
Hildreth, St. Peter	3,901.00	2,468.30	63	411.00	471.57	115	84.06	77.85

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Homer, St. Paul	2,459.00	1,914.00	78	259.00	259.00	100	200.00	273.22
Hooper, Redeemer	8,455.00	8,925.00	105½	891.00	891.00	100	794.00	376.50
Hooper, St. Paul	4,539.00	4,030.00	89	478.00	225.03	47	180.00	153.50
Hubbard, Trinity	1,412.00	359.50	25	149.00	50.00	33⅓	.....	.....
Johnson, St. Matthew	2,899.00	1,428.96	49	306.00	189.41	62	59.40	.....
Lanham, St. John	1,594.00	1,548.46	97	168.00	126.16	75	142.34	5.00
Leigh, St. John	2,778.00	2,073.38	75	293.00	293.50	100+	27.50	98.00
Leigh, St. Paul	1,670.00	1,428.78	85½	176.00	100.52	57	.....	22.00
Lewellen, Grace	1,624.00	775.11	48	171.00	108.55	63½	.....	71.15
Lincoln, Friedens	7,680.00	5,196.97	68	810.00	473.00	58	239.00	290.17
Lincoln, Grace	13,949.00	14,449.00	103½	1,470.00	1,700.00	116	.....	2,087.00
Lincoln, Latvian	3,734.00	242.00	6	394.00	.....	...	.....	.....
Lincoln, United	3,066.00	3,066.00	100	323.00	323.00	100	616.95	355.00
Lincoln, Zion	2,049.00	2,072.97	101	216.00	292.88	135½	205.54	76.10
Lindy, Good Shepherd	881.00	1,240.35	141	93.00	61.69	66	9.00	31.30
Lodge Pole, Immanuel	1,943.00	1,200.00	62	205.00	144.76	71	.....	52.00
Louisville, Christ	1,973.00	1,708.27	86½	208.00	208.00	100	193.25	11.00
Madison, Immanuel	1,199.00	427.01	36	126.00	36.52	29	2.00	29.21
McCool Junction, First	1,624.00	1,185.52	73	171.00	144.90	85	192.50	70.00
Nebraska City, First	4,114.00	3,000.00	73	434.00	27.50	6	20.00	10.00
Niobrara, Niobrara	1,321.00	1,235.45	93½	139.00	124.40	89	52.00	64.22
Norfolk, St. John	5,039.00	4,254.79	84	531.00	531.00	100	275.00	14.24
North Bend, St. Matthew	1,032.00	200.00	19	108.00	108.00	100	100.00	16.40
North Platte, First	15,725.00	15,725.00	100	1,658.00	1,658.00	100	5,588.00	908.13
Ohiowa, Grace	1,290.00	200.00	15½	137.00	137.00	100	125.00	2.30
Ohiowa, St. John	3,309.00	1,732.68	52	349.00	311.57	89	148.20	36.00
Omaha, First English	7,180.00	4,884.05	68	757.00	312.50	41	38.10	27.40
Omaha, Grace	5,449.00	2,148.00	39	574.00	602.25	105	115.00	.....
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	31,753.00	31,753.00	100	3,347.00	1,847.85	55	718.25	3,075.00
Omaha, Luther Memorial	7,438.00	7,440.00	100+	784.00	800.00	102	1,700.00	218.65
Omaha, Morning Star	1,503.00	1,541.53	102½	158.00	158.00	100	.....	.....
Omaha, Our Redeemer	10,564.00	8,578.10	81	1,114.00	1,161.64	104	155.60	277.19
Omaha, Pilgrim	2,580.00	2,580.00	100	272.00	271.92	100—	230.62	25.00
Omaha, St. Luke	11,779.00	9,781.00	83	1,242.00	1,245.00	100+	329.00	145.00
Omaha, St. Matthew	3,764.00	4,004.00	106	397.00	392.00	99	50.00	105.00
Oshkosh, St. Mark	2,080.00	1,268.78	61	219.00	219.00	100	.....	.....
Otoe, St. John	1,822.00	582.00	32	192.00	195.00	101½	.....	20.30
Papillion, Trinity	2,930.00	2,936.75	100+	309.00	309.00	100	64.00	20.00
Paxton, Trinity	3,825.00	3,825.00	100	403.00	403.00	100	14.00	96.57
Pender, St. Mark	7,650.00	7,853.94	103	806.00	850.00	105	.....	235.00
Pender, St. Peter	2,672.00	578.68	22	282.00	282.00	100	.....	50.00

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Pierce, Christ	1,958.00	970.00	49½	206.00	210.00	102	21.50	12.93
Pilger, St. Peter	2,474.00	2,474.00	100	261.00	338.04	129½	1,018.48	22.42
Platte Center, Zion	1,427.00	1,270.00	89	150.00	5.00	3½	25.00	158.00
Polk, Trinity	956.00	212.23	22	101.00	1.00	....	.....	.....
Ponca, Salem	4,114.00	4,114.00	100	434.00	434.00	100	50.00	.....
Potter, First	2,156.00	1,520.00	70½	227.00	224.27	99	211.66	31.49
Ralston, Messiah	1,214.00	1,261.67	104	128.00	226.58	177	.....	.....
Rising City, First	2,155.00	2,233.86	104	227.00	239.98	106	59.04	31.05
Schuyler, St. John	2,535.00	357.21	14	257.00	.....	....	89.30	16.00
Scribner, St. John Ridgley	2,550.00	2,550.00	100	269.00	280.00	104	1,013.00	42.00
Scribner, St. John	2,414.00	2,414.00	100	254.00	364.00	143	644.00	50.00
Scribner, United	2,899.00	1,814.15	62½	306.00	306.00	100	81.00	272.40
Sidney, Holy Trinity	5,829.00	2,675.50	46	614.00	496.00	81	36.50	.....
Snyder, Immanuel	714.00	520.00	73	75.00	75.00	100	.....	21.00
South Sioux City, First	7,013.00	6,227.73	89	739.00	440.04	59½	22.00	68.60
Spencer, United	1,442.00	1,258.70	87	152.00	152.00	100	300.00	58.69
Stamford, Trinity	1,852.00	1,852.00	100	195.00	195.00	100	184.38	115.50
Stanton, St. Luke	1,139.00	226.57	20	120.00	49.89	41½	20.90	.....
Stella, Trinity	182.00	182.00	100	19.00	.....	....	.....	.....
Sterling, St. John	1,199.00	877.29	73	126.00	126.00	100	16.63	15.00
Superior, Our Redcemer	.....	353.94	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Sutherland, Grace	1,442.00	137.00	9½	152.00	.....	....	10.00	.....
Sutton, Zion	1,260.00	125.74	10	133.00	.....	....	.....	56.20
Syracuse, First	380.00	232.00	61	40.00	45.00	112½	.....	10.00
Tekamah, Emmanuel	3,810.00	2,595.33	68	402.00	318.82	79	105.05	10.00
Uehling, St. Paul	1,169.00	913.30	78	123.00	127.32	103½	90.67	.....
Vacoma, St. John	213.00	.....	....	22.00	.....	....	60.00	.....
Valley, St. Mark	1,336.00	101.96	8	141.00	.....	....	.....	2.00
Verdon, St. Mark	2,034.00	1,209.66	59	214.00	155.91	73	28.25	41.79
Walton, Grace	607.00	607.00	100	64.00	55.10	86	.....	.....
Wayne, Redeemer	8,348.00	3,827.67	46	880.00	440.00	50	.....	25.00
Wayne, St. Paul	5,601.00	3,096.00	55	590.00	198.00	33½	314.00	10.00
West Point, Grace	8,181.00	3,600.00	44	862.00	862.00	100	900.00	.....
Wilbur, First	3,127.00	879.30	28	330.00	75.00	23	38.00	12.00
Winside, Trinity	2,064.00	1,586.47	77	218.00	221.22	101	49.25	43.00
Wisner, Christ	3,567.00	2,250.00	63	376.00	376.00	100	319.06	133.80
Wolbach, Trinity	3,324.00	1,178.43	35½	350.00	209.91	60	.....	110.00
York, First	2,156.00	2,165.00	100+	227.00	200.45	88	400.00	25.00
Yutan, St. John	4,706.00	3,108.80	66	496.00	496.00	100	122.50	20.00
OKLAHOMA								
Durant, Our Saviour	.....	89.33	....	.....	.....	....	.....	5.00

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Lawton S.E., Emmanuel		5.00						
Midwest City, St. Mark	1,063.00	866.96	81½	112.00	68.85	61½	30.00	33.24
Muskogee, Good Shepherd		299.77			8.60			
Oklahoma City, First	5,100.00	1,856.61	36	538.00	216.15	40		602.50
Oklahoma City, Our Lord's		701.10			74.10			28.51
Perry, Zion	2,383.00	1,802.00	76	257.00	258.00	100+	4.00	
Stillwater, Salem	1,822.00	1,822.00	100	192.00	192.00	100		35.38
Tulsa, Ascension	1,973.00	1,973.00	100	208.00	228.00	110	64.00	
Tulsa, First	7,438.00	7,437.99	100—	784.00	784.00	100+		
TEXAS								
Darrouzett, St. Paul	941.00	941.60	100	99.00	100.55	101½	22.43	
Lipscomb	1,275.00	856.56	67	134.00	134.00	100		191.93
MISCELLANEOUS		30.00			301.25		50.00	3,234.60
TOTALS		$36,843.78			$58,989.17		$54,572.40	$27,802.89

NOTE: $300.00 paid direct to Midland College (Expansion Program) by Redeemer, Hooper, Nebr.
$300.00 paid direct to Midland College (Appeal) by Zion, Hanover, Kansas.
$100.00 paid direct to Midland College (Appeal) by St. Peters, Creston, Nebr.

TOTAL APPORTIONMENT GOAL	$658,318.00	PAID	$536,847.78 — 81½%
L. W. A. GOAL	70,837.00	PAID	58,989.17 — 83 %
MIDLAND APPEAL GOAL	None	PAID	54,172.40
SPECIALS	None	PAID	27,802.89
			$677,812.24

P. H. PALMQUIST, Treasurer.

A motion prevailed to adopt the treasurer's and auditor's reports.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Part I

Constitution and By-Laws

1. Referred to the Executive Committee by the 1959 Convention: "Recommended that in the By-Laws, Item 5, Section IX, be deleted."

   RECOMMENDATION: That Item 5 be retained and that the following statement be sent to all pastors and congregations with the official notice of convention:

   "Due to the great distances involved in travel to the convention and our limited budget, the Executive Committee is asking delegates to pool their travel wherever possible. If you plan to take your car, please contact your neighboring parish to arrange for delegates to ride with you, or vice versa. Synod will pay 8¢ per mile to the one furnishing the car. Retired pastors or candidates for ordination may be included in these arrangements."

2. The Executive Committee recommends the approval of the following proposed constitution of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska:

THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION OF THE LUTHERAN WELFARE COUNCIL OF NEBRASKA

Article I

The name of this organization shall be "Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska."

Article II

Purpose

1. It shall serve as a council in social planning and encourage participation of all member church bodies in building an adequate church social welfare program based on needs as they arise and resources provided by the churches in recognition of the social ministry in their total program.
2. It shall seek to coordinate, through conference and common agreement, Lutheran welfare activities of member church bodies, Inter-Synodical agencies and local parish welfare activities in order that the needs of people may be best served, without violating the principles or official position of the participating church bodies and member agencies.
3. It shall serve as a central information bureau on welfare work for the Lutheran churches of Nebraska.
4. On authorization of agencies of member church bodies and the church bodies, it shall represent those agencies in public or private, state or community wide interests.

5. Upon request it may assist in developing standards and strengthening services of Lutheran agencies through such studies, and other consultative efforts as may be deemed advisable.
6. It shall recommend to the member church bodies the creation and development of new Lutheran agencies as may from time to time be necessary to meet new needs, but it shall not create or operate any agency.
7. It shall promote recruiting of trained Christian workers for the field of welfare and social services.
8. It shall work in close cooperation with any national Lutheran welfare council boards, or agencies which officially represent Lutheran Synodical groups in the territory of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska.
9. It shall encourage and advise the member church bodies in the organization of social welfare committees, boards or divisions.
10. It may sponsor conferences or workshops for Lutheran church organizations such as men's, women's, and youth organizations who may be interested in the churches' responsibility in social welfare.
11. It shall assist in making Lutheran welfare services known to all member church bodies and to the community at large.

Article III

Memberships

1. Any jurisdictional unit of Lutheran church bodies having congregations in Nebraska may become a member by declaring in writing its agreement with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Council and by stating its desire to participate.
2. Each member jurisdictional unit of member church bodies should be entitled to 1 representative for every 5,000 confirmed members or major fraction thereof in Nebraska, providing however that each unit shall have at least 1 representative to act on behalf of their respective church bodies.
3. Representatives of the jurisdictional units of participating member church bodies shall be the voting members of this Council. The term of office is to be determined by each member church body. However, no term of office should be less than 2 years.
4. Each Lutheran agency operating in Nebraska shall be entitled to name one of their staff members and one of their board members as advisory members to the Council.

Article IV

Financing

1. The work of the Council shall be financed by the participating member church bodies.

Article V

Officers

1. A President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, and 3 Members-at-large shall be elected to the Executive Committee at an annual meeting from the official representatives holding voting membership in the Council.
2. The President shall preside at all meetings, appoint committees as authorized, and perform such other functions as usually pertain to the office.
3. The Vice-president shall assume the duties of the President in his absence or inability to serve.
4. The Secretary shall maintain an accurate record of the official proceedings of the Council, send out all notices, and perform *such other functions as usually pertain to the office.*
5. The Treasurer shall receive all monies, depositing the same in the manner approved by the Council, disburse funds on proper authorization and maintain accurate records of all transactions; Surety bond may be required of the Treasurer by the Council at such time and amount as the Council may determine. The Treasurer shall be chairman of the Finance Committee.
6. All officers shall be residents of the state of Nebraska.

Article VI

Meetings

1. The Annual Meeting shall be held on the 1st Monday in December for the purpose of election of officers and to transact such business as may properly come before it. Other meetings may be held upon thirty day notice as the Council or Executive Committee may determine necessary.
2. The Service Committees shall meet as often as is necessary to carry out the objectives of their committees.
3. The Council meetings shall be open to all those interested in Social Welfare.
4. Roberts Revised Rules of Order shall apply at all meetings.

Article VII

Committees

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Council and 3 Members-at-large elected annually by the Council from the official representatives holding voting membership in the Council. Members of the Executive Committee shall be elected to provide for 1 representative from each jurisdictional unit of the member church bodies on the Exeuctive Committee.
2. The Executive Committee shall carry out the policies, program and decisions of the Council. Its actions shall be reported to and subject to the approval of the Council.

3. The Executive Committee shall appoint the chairman and committee members for the following committees:
   a. **Finance Committee**—The Treasurer of the Council shall be chairman of the Finance Committee. One representative from each of the participating member church bodies shall be members of the Finance Committee.
   b. **Service Committees:**
      1. There shall be the following 4 Service Committees—1) Chaplaincy Services 2) Family and Children's Services 3) Hospital and Health Services 4) Services for the Aged.
      2. Members of each committee shall consist of chairman, plus 2 other members from the Council and 2 advisory members engaged in the area of service encompassed by the committee; all members shall be appointed by the Executive Committee for a term of 2 years.
   c. ***Miscellaneous Committees***
      1. The Executive Committee may appoint such other committees as it may deem necessary from time to time.
4. The Nominating Committee, consisting of five members, shall be elected at the annual meeting for the purpose of preparing a slate of officers for the following year's general election.

Article VIII
Amendments

1. The Constitution may be amended by two-thirds vote of the Council members present and voting, provided that such amendment shall have been submitted in writing to all council members 15 days prior to the date of the meeting at which the amendment is to be voted upon.

BY-LAWS

1. **Duties of Committees**
   a. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to set up an annual budget for the ensuing year and to submit it to the members of the Council for aproval at the annual meeting. They shall also submit a tentative budget for the succeeding calendar year as a guide for the jurisdictional units of the member church bodies in the preparation of their budgets.

      The Council shall submit to the jurisdictional units of the member church bodies a statement of the equitable portion expected each year on the basis of the confirmed membership as recommended by the Finance Committee.
   b. The Chaplaincy Committee shall concern itself with matters related to services of the Lutheran Chaplaincy programs in Nebraska. It shall advise member church bodies and agencies involved in chaplaincy services on the total social and spiritual needs of the community. Requests received by the Council or Executive Committee for evaluation of chaplaincy services shall be referred to the Chaplaincy Committee.

c. The Family and Children's Service Committee shall concern itself with matters related to services of the family and children's agencies and institutions in Nebraska. It may provide for studies through national welfare agencies and make reports as may be requested by the Lutheran agencies engaged in these services or may be requested by other community agencies who need to know the total services of Lutheran agencies. It may advise Lutheran church bodies on unmet needs in the community and compile statistics on the actual services given. It may provide consultative services to agencies who request such service and make recommendations for standards to improve the services given by the Lutheran agencies.

d. Hospital and Health Services Committee shall concern itself with the matters pertaining to hospitals and health services in the state of Nebraska. It may provide for studies through national welfare agencies and make reports as may be requested by the Lutheran agencies engaged in these services, or may be requested by other community agencies who need to know the total services of Lutheran agencies. It may advise Lutheran church bodies on unmet needs in the community and compile statistics on the actual services given. It may provide consultative services to agencies who request such service and make recommendations for standards to improve the services given by the Lutheran agencies.

e. Services for the Aged Committee shall concern itself with matters pertaining to the services for the aged. It may provide for studies through national welfare agencies and make reports as may be requested by the Lutheran agencies engaged in these services or may be requested by other community agencies who need to know the total services of Lutheran agencies. It may advise Lutheran church bodies on unmet needs in the community and compile statistics on the actual services given. It may provide consultative services to agencies who request such service and make recommendations for standards to improve the services given by the Lutheran agencies.

2. **Election**

All officers of the Council shall be elected at the annual meeting. The election procedure shall be as follows: The nominating committee shall present a slate of candidates to the next annual meeting of at least 2 candidates for each office to be filled. Election shall be by ballot, the majority of ballots cast shall be required for election.

3. **Terms of Office**

a. The officers of the Council shall be elected for a term of 2 years, and shall take office at the close of the annual meeting at which they are elected. Officers shall be eligible to serve no more than 3 terms consecutively.

b. Vacancies in office shall be filled by the Executive Committee to complete the unexpired term.

c. At the first election the President, Treasurer and 2 Members-at-large shall be elected for 2 years and the other officers and 1 Member-at-large for 1 year. Elections shall be held on alternate years for the other officers of the Council.

d. The term of office of chairman of all committees shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

4. **Annual Meeting**

a. The annual meeting shall normally be held on the 1st Monday of December at such time and place as may be set by the Executive Committee.

b. The Secretary shall mail delegate **credential blanks** to all member church bodies 60 days prior to the annual meeting, and the credential blanks shall be returned 30 days prior to the annual meeting, if possible. From this accredited list nominations shall be made for the officers of the council.

5. **Amendment**

The By-Laws may be amended by two-thirds vote of the Council members present and voting, provided that such amendment shall have been sumitted in writing to all council members 30 days prior to the date of the meeting at which the amendment is to be voted upon.

A motion prevailed to adopt recommendation 1.

A motion prevailed to defer action on recommendation 2.

The Report of the Statistician was presented by Mr. Charles A. Harkness, Jr.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

The Parochial Report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1959 shows the following comparisons with that for the year 1958:

	1959	1958	Inc.	Dec.
Baptized Members	90,251	88,944	1,307	
Confirmed Members	61,634	61,039	595	
Communing Members	45,129	44,860	269	
Sunday School Staff	3,889	3,736	153	
In Sunday School	26,219	25,801	418	
VCS Staff Members	2,418	2,138	280	
VCS Pupils	13,172	11,922	1,250	
Catechumens	3,996	3,829	167	
Total Valuation	$17,653,595	$16,300,639	$1,352,956	
Indebtedness	2,370,685	2,043,721	326,964	
Current Expenses	1,779,330	1,690,218	89,112	
Unusual Expenses	1,059,251	1,100,850		$41,599
Total Local Exp.	2,838,581	2,791,068	47,513	
Unapport. Benev.	228,782	238,271		9,489
Apport. Benev. paid	534,833	556,809		21,986
Total Benevolences	763,605	795,080		31,475
Total Expenditures	3,602,186	3,586,148	16,038	

As of Dec. 31, 1959 there were 191 congregations on the roll of Synod, 189 of which were synodical and two non-synodical. Five congregations, all newly organized mission congregations, were added to the roll: Hot Springs, Prince of Peace; Little Rock, Faith; Haysville, Resurrection; Springfield, Messiah and Superior, Our Redeemer. Pender, St. Mark, previously non-synodical, became a member of the Synod. There were 229 ministers on the roll of Synod, 152 of whom were serving congregations on the roll.

Without the mission congregations, the Synod would have shown a gain in baptized and confirmed memberships of 796 and 271 respectively and a loss in communing membership of 10. The gain in baptized membership was 1.47%, in confirmed membership 0.97% and in communing membership 0.6%. Gains in communing membership were shown by 83 congregations and losses by 86. The proportion of confirmed members communing was 73.2% compared to 73.5% in 1958 and 71.3% in 1957. The per capita expenditure for all purposes based on communing membership was $79.82, twelve cents less than the previous year. Of the total, $62.90 was expended for local purposes and $16.92 for benevolences. Comparable figures for 1958 were $62.22 and $17.72. The contribution to the apportionment was 81.5% of the goal, identical with 1957 (1958 was a double apportionment year, contributions realizing 68% of the goal). 68 congregations met their quotas in full or in excess.

Parochial reports were received from all but three congregations. First reports were received on Jan. 5 from Nebraska City, First, Rev. Ted Youngerman and on Jan. 9 from Home, Friedens, Walter Niemann, secretary. A few reports were not received until the end of February. On the whole, the cooperation of the pastors and secretaries and of the Church House has been splendid and *much appreciated.*

Respectfully,
Chas. A. Harkness, Jr.

Additional interesting comparative statistics were distributed to the convention.

A motion prevailed to express Synod's appreciation for the fine work of the Statistician by a rising vote of thanks.

Synod recessed for the meeting of the Ministerium and Conference of Lay Delegates.

Synod reconvened.

The election of secretary was ordered.

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIUM

The Examining Committee presented the following report to the Ministerium:

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

At a meeting of The Examining Committee on April 21, 1960 the following ministers were considered and approved for acceptance into the Synod.

The Reverend Alfred Mendenhall, a member of The Pacific Synod, but called to Trinity Church of Paxton, Nebraska.

The Reverend Henry Moyer, a member of the Mississippi Synod, called to Our Redeemer Church of Superior and St. Paul Church of Hardy, Nebraska.

The Reverend Clarence W. Rhoda, a member of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, called to Faith Church of Little Rock, Arkansas.

The Reverend Ronald Norman, graduate of Central Seminary, ordained by the Rocky Mountain Synod, called to Trinity Church, Dalton, Nebraska.

At the same meeting of The Examining Committee the following young men, all graduates of Central Lutheran Theological Seminary, and candidates for ordination, were interviewed by the committee separately.

The Committee recommends that Uldis Cepure, having received and accepted a call to Friedens Church of Home, Kansas; be ordained by the Synod.

The Committee recommends that: Leland Ray Diekhoff, having received and accepted a call to St. Paul Church of Darrouzett, Texas; be ordained by the Synod.

The Committee recommends that: James Benjamin Felton, having received and accepted a call to St. Peter's Church of Langdon, Missouri; be ordained by the Synod.

The Committee recommends that: Lawrence Dietrich Fruhling, having received and accepted a call to St. Paul Church of Blue Hill, Nebraska; be ordained by the Synod.

The Committee recommends that: David Gieschen, having received and accepted a call to Zion Church of Perry, Oklahoma; be ordained by the Synod.

The Committee recommends that: James Edward von Holton, having received and accepted a call to Church of Ormand Beach, Florida; be ordained by the Synod.

The Committee recommends that: Rudolph Jenny, called by the Board of Foreign Missions for commissioning as Missionary to Japan; be ordained by the Synod.

The Committee recommends that; Ray McKinley Peters, having received and accepted a call to St. Luke Church of Fort Smith, Arkansas; be ordained by the Synod.

The Committee recommends that: Henry Yurk, having received and accepted a call to Zion Church of Platte Center and Immanuel Church of Madison, Nebraska; be ordained by the Synod.

The Ministerium recommends to Synod:

1. That the following pastors be formally received into synod:

The Rev. Carl J. Deithloff, Pastor of St. John's, Auburn, Nebraska, transferred from the Texas-Louisiana Synod.

The Rev. James Seiffert, Pastor of Good Shepherd, Washington, Kansas, transferred from the Iowa Synod.

The Rev. Donald Gates, Pastor of Prince of Peace, Bethel, Kansas, ordained by the President of Synod.

The Rev. Norman Hansen, Pastor of Prince of Peace, Hot Springs, Arkansas, ordained by the President of Synod.

The Rev. Clarence W. Rhoda, Pastor of Faith, Little Rock, Arkansas, transferred from the Pennsylvania Ministerium.

The Rev. James Grant, Pastor of St. Mark's, Waterville, Kansas, transferred from the Pacific Southwest Synod.

The Rev. Henry Moyer, Pastor of St. Paul's, Hardy, and Our Redeemer, Superior, Nebraska, transferred from the Mississippi Synod.

The Rev. H. J. Brede, Pastor retired, transferred from the Indiana Synod.

The Rev. Alfred Mendenhall, Pastor of Trinity, Paxton, Nebraska, transferred from the Pacific Synod.

The Rev. Ronald Norman, graduate of Central Seminary, ordained by the Rocky Mountain Synod, and called to Trinity, Dalton, Nebraska.

2. That the following candidates be approved for ordination:

Uldis Cepure, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called to Friedens Church, Home, Kansas

Leland Diekhoff, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called to St. Paul's, Darrouzett, Texas

James Felton, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called to St. Peter's, Langdon, Missouri

Lawrence D. Fruhling, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called to St. Paul, Blue Hill, Nebraska

David Gieschen, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by Zion, Perry, Oklahoma

Rudolph Jenny, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by the Board of Foreign Missions

Ray Peters, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by St. Luke, Fort Smith, Arkansas

James von Holton, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by the Board of American Missions

Henry Yurk, 1960 graduate of Central Seminary, called by Zion, Platte Center, and Immanuel, Madison, Nebraska.

A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendations.

Pastors Alfred Mendenhall, James Seiffert, and Henry Moyer were received into the synod.

The Courtesy Chairman introduced John Berger, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, L.L.M. Representative, Chaplain Delbert Daire and Chaplain Ensrud.

The Report of Midland College was presented by Pastor Ernest Tonsing.

REPORT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE

to the

CENTRAL STATES SYNOD

The constituting convention of the Lutheran Church in America will coincide with the seventy-fifth anniversary of

Midland College. In trust that this is indeed the leading of God, Midland College enters upon a new era confident that the Church has much to give to the College and the College much to give to the Church. Without doubt the merger of the churches will have a profound effect upon the College and we may well assess anew the College's place in the Church.

Actually, Midland's place will be no different from what it has always been. Midland was founded by the Church, yet the Church established the College with its own separate corporation. And this has a two-fold significance.

Midland College is a Church College. Its corporation consists of members elected by the Church who, in turn, establish the policies that govern the College. The Church has faith in the College as is shown by her prayers, her interest and support both of the current fund and the expansion fund.

In turn the College has expressed its relation to the Church in its stated objectives, namely, the education of individual men and women through an integrated program of spiritual, mental and physical development; by helping to supply the Church with consecrated and enlightened leadership, both ordained and lay, in every field of Christian service; to serve society by fostering Christian ideals of patriotism and world citizenship.

The College aims to help the student grow in grace and the knowledge of Jesus Christ; appreciate the place of the Bible in education and life; establish habits of conduct based on Christian ethical principles; cultivate the virtues requisite to Christian stewardship; be loyal to the highest ideals of achievement. To take an active part in the building of the Church; respond to the call for men and women to devote full time to its service; worship regularly; increase in knowledge of all that honors the Christian message.

Several interesting developments have taken place at the College the past year. We shall mention some of these briefly.

The total enrollment of 718 students shows a seven percent increase over that of last year, and marks the all-time high for the College (526 in the day session, 192 in the evening session). Seventy-three percent of these young people are Lutheran. This means that our alumni and friends in the churches have helped send these students to Midland, and we are deeply indebted to them. The importance of student solicitation cannot be over-estimated because it is the best of our church's young people we want for our church colleges. The students this year have come from twenty-three states and three foreign countries, with the largest number coming from Nebraska (365); then Iowa (30), California and Hawaii (35), Kansas (23), Colorado (20), Washington (9), Oregon (5), New Mexico (4), Oklahoma (3), Texas (3), etc. [Central States (211), Rocky Mountain (20), Pacific Southwest (28), Pacific (16), Texas-Louisiana (2)].

The success of Midland is determined by the product it turns out. During the past five years two students have received appointments as Woodrow Wilson scholars; one Danforth student scholar and a faculty Danforth scholar; four Fulbright scholars and two Rockefeller scholars. This list continues to grow with each passing year as more students qualify academically, all of which speaks well for our highly competent faculty members and their commitment to the task of Christian education. Here is a religious and academic climate characterized by earnestness and serious purpose.

As costs increase it becomes necessary also to increase our student aid. Last year all-told in scholarships, grants, part-time work, two in a family, and clergy dependents student aid totaled $50,299. More than 50% of the students receive such aid. With the initiation of the National Defense Student Loan Fund a new incentive has been given to borrowing money for a college education. For the first two years Midland College has received from the government for this special loan program $28,727. To this the College adds $3,198 as its share, making a total of $31,925. The College's own student loan fund totals $7,497. Thus the student loan office is rapidly becoming a banking operation. Credit has been used on a large scale for practically everything but a college education. It may be an encouraging development that students pay for their education on an installment basis. In a society accustomed to installment financing an institution demanding cash money seems to be at a competitive disadvantage. It may very well become even more important that students can pay on an installment basis.

Midland still needs your best personal recommendation to the best students in your community; your best personal support to help us to attract and hold the best teachers, and to help able but needy students, and to provide fully adequate facilities for housing and instruction.

The past decade has been an expanding one at Midland, and from all indications the 1960-70 decade will be even more exciting. During the past six years the student body has increased 60 percent and a library and girls' dormitory were erected. At this time a new dining and kitchen facility, as well as another men's dormitory are under construction, with the expectation that they will be in use in September. At this writing it is hoped that ground will be broken this year for a much needed new classroom building. Without the help of the Central States Synod and Fremont citizens this expansion progress would not have been possible. Our sincerest gratitude to each individual and congregation that gave wholeheartedly to this program.

At the same time it is desirous and necessary that we express our heartfelt thanks to the synod for their generous support of the College through the benevolence program. This support has made it possible for the College to operate with a small surplus for the past six consecutive years and from all indications it appears as if we will accomplish the same feat again this year.

From 1919 to 1954 the various presidents of Midland College,

six in number, lived in an apartment on the second floor of the Administration-Classroom Building. In 1954 these quarters were converted into a student union, snack bar and dispensary. A second enlargement of this facility is contemplated. When the erection of the new dining facility is completed the present kitchen-dining room will then be converted into a student union, providing triple the space now given for this purpose. The funds for this project will be provided from fees paid by students and a sizeable contribution from the Alumni Association, who last year made this their prime project.

It has been our privilege again this past year to serve a number of church and community groups on campus. Included among those using our facilities were the United Lutheran Church Women of the Central States Synod, the Midland Assembly, the conferences on Evangelism and Social Missions, the Presbyterian Senior High Conference, Midland Women, Men of Midland and many individual congregational Luther Leagues, Brotherhoods, confirmation classes and Sunday school classes.

It is always a delight to have our constituency visit the campus and make use of our facilities.

Our hearty thanks are again extended to our auxiliaries—the Midland Women and the Men of Midland. Both organizations have made great strides forward and have contributed much of their time and support during the past decade toward various projects. Recent projects include the furnishing of four rooms in Beegle Hall, new chancel furnishings, drapes and curtains in the chapel, the air conditioning of the library, new tables and chairs in the dining room, new stoves in the kitchen, and new beds, springs and mattresses in the men's dormitory.

More and more I have been impressed with the integrity of the College. And this impression has grown as we prepare for the diamond jubilee of the College. A study of this College's history must impress anyone with the spirit of integrity from the beginning. The churchmen who founded this College established it upon the basis of a thorough education and sound doctrine. Nothing was to be "shoddy" or false.

Midland College has strengths of which we can be proud. And the appraisal of others, the prestige and standing among colleges, attest to the integrity of the institution and of its offerings. Christian education must always retain its integrity.

In conclusion may I extend to the synod the sincere thanks of the faculty and students for the support given to the College by you and by the Board of Trustees and express our gratitude to the Lord of the Church for the privilege of service in Christian education.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul W. Dieckman
President
Ernest F. Tonsing
President, Board of Trustees

Operating Statement

1958-1959

INCOME:	
Education and General	$210,420.17
Endowment	18,929.18
Gifts and Grants	150,508.77
Auxiliary Enterprises	244,148.46
Other Income	6,519.43
Total Income	$630,526.01
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Education and General	$370,547.32
Endowment	6,649.82
Auxiliary Enterprises	205,906.42
Non-Educational Expense	43,065.94
Total Disbursements	$626,169.70
Income over expense	$ 4,356.31

Dr. Paul Dieckman, President of Midland College, addressed the convention.

The Committee on Elections reported the re-election of Pastor Hugo H. F. Welchert for a one year term as secretary.

The session was adjourned with prayer by the chaplain.

SECOND SESSION

May 17, 1960—1:45 P.M.

The session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel reported and the recommended changes in the agenda were adopted.

The election of Treasurer was ordered.

Paul Palmquist was nominated.

A motion prevailed that the Secretary cast the ballot of the convention for Paul Palmquist at Treasurer.

The following recommendation in the memorial of the Northwest Conference was presented: "That the 1962 budget of Synod be prepared in time to be studied at the fall conference meetings in 1960."

A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation.

The proposed constitution of The Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska was presented for consideration.

The following suggested corrections and changes in the proposed constitution and by-laws of The Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska were presented by Pastor Lorin Wolff:

CONSTITUTION.

Article VI, Sec. 1. Substitute for the first sentence the following: "The Annual meeting shall be held, as determined by the By-Laws, for the purpose of election of officers and to transact such business as may properly come before it." (Note; the by-laws

state that the Annual meeting shall NORMALLY BE HELD THE 1st Monday of December . . . which would seem to conflict with the present wording in the constitution.)

Article VII, Sec. 1. Amend so that this section will read: "The Constitution may be amended by two-thirds vote of the Council representatives present and voting, provided that such amendment shall have been approved by the jurisdictional units of the member church bodies or their Executive Committees, and that it shall have been submitted in writing to all council representatives 30 days prior to the date of the meeting at which the amendment is to be voted upon."

BY-LAWS.

Sec. 1, Par. a. amend the last sentence by inserting the words: "in Nebraska" between the words "membership" and "as", so that the sentence will read: "The Council shall submit to the jurisdictional units of the member church bodies a statement of the equitable portion expected each year on the basis of confirmed membership in Nebraska as recommended by the Finance Committee."

Sec. 5. Substitute the word representatives for the word member in two places. Add the words "approved by the jurisdictional units of the member church bodies or their Executive Committees." So that the entire section will then read: "The By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the council representatives present and voting, provided that such amendment shall have been approved by the jurisdictional units of the member church bodies or their Executive Committees, and that it shall have been submitted in writing to all council representatives 30 days prior to the date of the meeting at which the amendment is to be voted upon."

CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS.

Insert the words "jurisdictional units of" before the words "member church bodies" in every case where member church bodies refer to the jurisdictional units. Cf: Art. II, Sec. 6, Art. IV. Sec. 1. Art. VII, Sec. 3 a. of Constitution, and Sec. 1, d and e and Sec. 4 b. of the By-Laws.

A motion to refer to the Executive Committee was lost.

A motion to reconsider the suggested changes in the proposed constitution was lost.

A motion prevailed to reconsider the motion to refer.

A motion prevailed to refer the proposed constitution of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska to the Executive Committee for study and report to the next meeting of Synod.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Supplement to Part II

Recommendations

1. Item Referred to Executive Committee regarding **Full-Time Congregational Life Secretary.**

   In view of the fact that the area director can give considerable

time to the Central States Synod in its evangelism program, and in view of the fact that progress has been made in assisting congregations in the developing of stewardship programs, IT IS RECOMMENDED that no additional full-time staff be employed or called at this time.

2. Item Referred to Executive Committee from 1959 Convention regarding **Remittance of ULCA Benevolence.**
The Executive Committee considered the proposal of remitting to ULCA on an eleven month basis, and the paying of ULCA Benevolence before any bills are paid. This proposal seemed impractical unless the congregations of synod remitted to synod on a similar basis.

3. **SPECIAL COMMITTEES ON MERGER**
IT IS RECOMMENDED that the President of Synod be authorized to appoint representatives to meet with representatives of the merging bodies of the proposed Lutheran Church in America. He shall appoint one group of representatives from the Nebraska area and another group of representatives from the proposed Central States Synod area. The President of Synod shall be a member of both committees, and stated committees shall report to the Executive Committee.
A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation in item 1.
A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation in item 3.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Part III

Nominations

The Executive Committee presents the following nominees for the respective offices:

A. TRUSTEES OR DIRECTORS

Midland College Trustees

Rev. Grant Van Boening, Hooper, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term
Rev. William Most, D.D., Prairie Village, Kansas—1963 Three Year Term
Mr. Kermit Wagner, Schuyler, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term

Central Seminary Trustees

Rev. Walter Rowoldt, Pender, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term
Rev. Heinz Ritzen, Ralston, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term
Mr. Herman Langholz, Russell, Kansas—1963 Three Year Term
Mr. Clarence Bower, Columbus, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term

Tabitha Home Trustees

Mr. Irvin Enke, Emerson, Nebraska—1962 Two Year Term
Rev. Harold Hamilton, Lawrence, Kansas—1963 Three Year Term
Mr. John Wollmer, Hooper, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term

B. ELECTIVE COMMITTEES

The Committee On Home Missions

Rev. Calvin J. Naugle, D.D., Kansas City, Missouri—1963 Three Year Term

Rev. Marvin Suhr, North Platte, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term
Mr. Ray Mann, Wichita, Kansas—1963 Three Year Term
Mr. Joe Jones, Fort Smith, Arkansas—1963 Three Year Term

The Examining Committee

Rev. Claudius Jensen, Omaha, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term
Rev. Norman Schroeder, Lodgepole, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term
Rev. Walter H. Moeller, D.D., Salina, Kansas—1963 Three Year Term

Nebraska Lutheran Social Service Directors

Rev. Theodore J. C. Schuldt, D.D., South Sioux City, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term
Mr. Ben Furrow, Omaha, Nebraska—1963 Three Year Term

Nominations from the floor of convention:

Midland College Trustees

Pastor Lester M. Utz
Mr. Ray Bottorff
Mr. Robert Ramig
Mr. William H. Suhr

Central Seminary Trustees

Mr. Marius Christensen

Examining Committee

Pastor Frank Moyer

A motion prevailed that the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for the Tabitha Home Trustees.

A motion prevailed that the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for the Committee on Home Missions.

A motion prevailed that the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for the Nebraska Lutheran Social Service Directors.

A motion prevailed that the Conference nominees be declared elected as delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention, namely: Pastors Walter Rowoldt, Martin Ashley, Martin Schroeder, Jr., Vernon Jacobs, Lester Utz, and Harold Hamilton; Messrs William Hasebrook, Walter Kuenning, Al Borcherding, William Harms, Garman Kimmell, William Hogrefe.

The Rev. John William Rilling, S.T.M., D.D., representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, spoke to the convention, presenting the work of the Boards of the Church.

President Young presented the Report on Convention Committee appointments.

CONVENTION COMMITTEES

Committee on President's Report

Rev. George Eller
Rev. Paul de Freese
Rev. Marvin Suhr
Mr. Al Borcherding

Committee on Convention Travel

Mr. John Langmacher
Mr. Walter Gengenbach
Mr. Paul Palmquist

Committee on Registration and Attendance

Rev. David Samuelson
Rev. Wilfred Henning
Rev. Arthur Miller

Committee on Minutes

Rev. Robert Karsten
Rev. Dale Roseke
Rev. Carl Schneider

Committee on Resolutions

Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer
Rev. Raymond Johnson
Rev. E. Switzer

Committee on Reference and Counsel

Rev. Sherman Frederick
Rev. Max Geissler
Rev. George L. Search

Committee on Elections

Rev. Harold Hamilton
Rev. Carl Nuebel
Rev. Stanley Rogge
Rev. Clarence Rhoda
Mr. Jack Marten
Mr. Wayne Alto
Mr. Bill Abbott
Mr. Wm. Christiansen

Courtesy Chairman

Rev. Walter H. Moeller, D.D.

The Report of the Committee on Church Vocations was presented by Pastor Karl H. Konig.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH VOCATIONS

The Committee met several times this past school year to interview all students from our Synod who are at Midland College and Central Seminary and are interested in Church Vocations. The Committee chairman had correspondence with those students in schools outside the state.

We wish to express again our appreciation for the assistance of Dr. William Zimmerman and Mr. Elmer Sasse of Midland College and Dr. E. B. Keisler and Mrs. Marie Anderson of Central Seminary.

The Committee is at the time of the writing of this report giving assistance in the planning of the Conference on Church Vocations to be held at St. Marks, Kansas City, on April 1 and 2. This

conference is intended to be for both young women as well as men.

The following is a list of the students who are under the direction of the Committee on Church Vocations of our Synod in the Central States:

Benne, Bob, University—Erlangen, Germany, ministry
Buskirk, Wayne, Junior, Midland, ministry
Casper, Larry, Senior, Midland, ministry
Castigliano, Serge, Junior, Midland, youth work
Dougherty, Stan, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
Deets, Dan, Junior, Midland, ministry
Eckert, Patricia, Freshman, Midland, social work
Finke, Dean, Freshman, Midland, ministry
Fluth, Stanley, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
Frederick, Richard, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
Friday, Karen, Freshman, Midland
Grinbergs, Andris, Junior, University of Omaha, ministry
Grothen, Roger, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
Harder, Roland, Senior, Midland, ministry
Harris, Kay, Freshman, Midland, guidance work
Heger, William, Freshman, Midland, ministry
Hendricks, Gloria, Freshman, Midland, parish work
Huffman, Robert, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
Holden, Sylvia, Freshman, Midland, nursing
Holm, Karen, Sophomore, Midland, parish work
Jensen, Dennis, Freshman, Midland, ministry
Johannsen, Jean, Junior, Midland, youth work
Krahmer, Keith, Senior, Midland, ministry
Krebs, Paul, Junior, Midland, ministry
Klotz, Ernest, Junior, Midland, ministry
Liebersknecht, Dick, Senior, Midland, ministry
McDonald, Clinton, Senior, Midland, ministry
Mann, Linda, Senior, Midland, parish work
Miller, Karl, Senior, Midland, ministry
Monnich, Michael, Senior, Midland, ministry
Peters, Susan, Sophomore, Midland, youth work
Petersen, Ralph, Freshman, Midland, ministry
Pudenz, Alfred J., Freshman, Midland, ministry
Reninger, Dean, Junior, St. Olaf College, ministry
Sahs, Marjorie, Freshman, Midland, social service
Sanderson, Jane Bette, Freshman, Midland, social work
Schrader, Dianne, Sophomore, Midland, missionary
Sherwanick, Robert, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
Stromer, Harold, Junior, Hastings College, ministry
Swanda, Sharon, Sophomore, Midland, parish work
Thomsen, Ronald, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
Tubach, Donna, Freshman, Midland, social work
Valentine, Roland, Freshman, Midland, ministry
Van Seggern, Myron, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
Westerman, Ervin, Junior, Hastings College, ministry
Yako, Judy, Freshman, Midland, social work

Seminary

Angersbach, David, Senior, Pacific
Barnett, Dale, Junior, Central
Brown, James, Middler, Northwestern
Cepure, Uldis, Senior, Central
Darge, Ronald, Intern, Central
DeSelms, Dean, Middler, Central
Diekhoff, Leland, Senior, Central
Dombrovskis, Janis, Middler, Central
Felton, James, Senior, Central
Fruhling, Lawrence, Senior, Central
Gieschen, David, Senior, Central
Green, John, Senior, Maywood
Hahle, Dennis, Junior, Central
Harmon, Charles, Intern, Central
Jenny, Rudolph, Senior, Central
Johnson, Harold, Junior, Central
Kern, Donald, Junior, Central
Lange, Robert, Senior, Pacific
MacCracken, Benny, Senior, Gettysburg
Peters, Ray, Senior, Central
Rasmussen, LaVern, Senior, Gettysburg
Schmidt, John, Junior, Central
Sherwood, Jackson, Junior, Central
Sieckman, Robert, Middler, Central
Temps, William, Middler, Central
Tiemeyer, Arnold, Junior, Maywood
Vetter, Noel, Junior, Central
Von Holten, James, Senior, Central
Wiemers, Delmar, Intern, Central
Witcher, Wayne, Junior, Pacific
Yeiser, Robert, Intern, Central
Yurk, Henry, Senior, Central

The Committee allocated $1,275.00 to college students and $3,379.00 to seminary students during the school year. The total expenditure for the year is $4,654.00, plus an allowance of $130.00 for the Church Vocations Conference at Kansas City. Following are the names of those students receiving aid from the committee:

Dean Finke	Donald Kern
Stanley Floth	Ray Peters
Richard Frederick	William Temps
Ralph Petersen	Arnold Tiemeyer
Robert Shewanick	Noel Vetter
Uldis Cepure	James Von Holten
Janis Dombrovskis	Henry Yurk
Rudolph Jenny	Wayne Witcher

The Committee would call to the attention of congregations in Synod, the constant need for recruitment of young people in the service of our Lord. Especially do we mention the fact that our Synod has four calls for deaconess service in file with the

Board of Deaconess Work. At the present time we have no young woman preparing for the diaconate from our Synod. Promotion of the diaconate is to be encouraged in each congregation as well as all church occupations.

Respectfully submitted,
Karl H. Konig, Chairman

The following motion was presented:

a) "That all theological students receiving financial aid from our synod be required to pursue their studies in our synodically supported theological seminary; and

b) "That aid granted students not pursuing theological study in ULCA seminaries other than Central Seminary, be withheld."

The motion was lost.

The Report of the Committee on Home Missions was presented by Dr. Reno R. Frobenius.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS

We give special thanks to Almighty God for His blessing on the Home Missions work of the Central States Synod during the past year. In the year 1959 the Synod organized 8 new missions. This was the largest number of any of the Synods of the United Lutheran Church. Five new missions were organized since the last Convention of Synod.

The faithful, devoted, and industrious work of every Home Missions pastor on the territory of Synod has made this growth of new missions possible, as well as the growth of each individual mission in membership. Sincere thanks are extended to every one of these modern pioneers who have labored so diligently to plant and extend the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ. Gratitude is expressed to pastors in the Synodical aid missions who have also labored faithfully to hold the line and strengthen the Church in limited fields.

The Home Missions Committee has held quarterly meetings to review and counsel on the Home Missions work of the Synod, and members of the Committee have also taken special assignments to contact individual mission congregations. Miss Eula Halter, secretary in the Home Missions office, has been assisting in handling the many reports and the voluminous correspondenec in connection with the office. Dr. A. W. Young, President of Synod, in addition to his many other duties, has aided particularly in securing pastors for the mission fields.

Certainly, too, a word of thanks is due to the Board of American Missions and the members of its national staff for their help in developing missions on the territory of this Synod and for the large amounts provided in salary and loans for lot and parsonage purchases, and for the construction of buildings.

The benevolence offerings from the congregations of the Synod, the special gifts to Missions Ten, and the cooperation of many local pastors has also made possible this growing mission program in the Central States Synod.

However the United Lutheran Church is not able to meet the challenge of the growing population; in fact has been forced to reduce its mission program. The report in the March issue of the Desk Book indicated that the United Lutheran Church, to do its share in starting new missions during this period of exploding population, should start 135 missions annually in the next few years. In 1957 ninety new missions were started; then this was reduced to 74 in 1958; in 1959 to 64, and now in 1960 it is going to be reduced to 55.

The shortage of funds for increased lot and building costs has forced the Board to reduce the number of new missions started. Greater benevolence offerings, another loan of about four million dollars for the Church Extension Division, faster repayment of Board loans by missions, and self-supporting congregations adopting missions, will be needed to meet this challenge.

A very encouraging trend in the Central States Synod mission program is the increased number of new building programs. By the time of the Convention of Synod fifteen missions will have just completed buildings, will be in the process of construction, or will be in the drawing stage of their building programs.

Four missions have progressed to the point where they are able to discontinue salary aid from the Board of American Missions. They are: St. John United, Alliance, Nebraska; Immanuel, Bellevue, Nebraska; Niobrara and Good Shepherd, Niobrara-Lindy, Nebraska parish; Latvian Lutheran, Lincoln, Nebraska. Two of these, Niobrara-Lindy, and Latvian Lutheran are still receiving some Synodical aid.

The number of missions in Synod at the time of the Convention is expected to be as follows:

Unorganized missions in the process of development	3
Organized since the last Convention of Synod	6
Other Salary Aid Missions	20
Board of American Missions Loan Missions	12
Synodical Aid Missions (not including Board Loan)	8
Approved new fields awaiting entry	2
Anticipatory fields with lots purchased	6
Total	57

New Missions Organized

Durant, Oklahoma, Our Saviour Lutheran Church, the Rev. August W. Homburg, Jr., pastor, was formally organized December 20, 1959, with 50 confirmed charter members. Work was started in this field November 1, 1956, with the Rev. Earl Heuser serving as developer for a time before Pastor Homburg came to the field last year. Pastor Homburg has accepted the Call to become the first regular pastor. The mission has a parsonage, a house chapel, and is seeking a church site. This is a field with some limitations, but with a loyal group of people and a possible new industry, the congregation should continue to grow.

Kansas City, Missouri, Northwest (Parkville), Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, the Rev. Dean Sudman, pastor, was organized

December 6, 1959, with 62 confirmed charter members. Work was begun in the field June 1, 1958. Pastor Sudman accepted the Call to become the first regular pastor. The congregation has a parsonage, and an attractive church site. Drawings for a first unit of a church building are almost completed and ground breaking to start construction is planned for early summer. Because no other place could be secured, the congregation has been forced to hold services in the basement of the parsonage. It is anticipated that this mission will grow into a fine congregation in this new suburban community on the northwest side of Kansas City.

Lawton, Oklahoma, Emmanuel Lutheran, the Rev. Earl Heuser, developer, was organized April 19 with 70 charter members. Because of the many military personnel in this community adjacent to Fort Sill, an additional number of persons who will be in Lawton only a short time, are classed as associate members. Work was begun in the field May 15, 1959. The mission has a parsonage and a well located church site. It expects to conduct its first capital funds drive immediately and start drawings for a church building. Lawton has trebled in population since World War II and now has a population of over 42,000 plus the many thousands of people located at Fort Sill. The mission has a large Sunday School, and many Lutheran people of National Lutheran Council background plus other interested persons who move for a period of time to Lawton will be served by this mission. Even though there will be a rapid turnover in membership it is anticipated that this mission can grow into a good congregation.

Liberty, Missouri, St. Andrew, the Rev. Clifford C. Smith, pastor, was organized January 3, 1960, with 72 charter members. Work was begun in the field February 1, 1959. Services have been held in the assembly room of a public library in the center of Liberty. The mission has a parsonage, a well located church site, conducted an early capital funds drive, and is well along on its drawings and hopes to break ground for the construction of the first unit of a church building in late summer or early fall. This suburban community on the northeast side of Kansas City is growing rapidly with 1500 homes expected to be erected within the next few years, and therefore an excellent congregation is anticipated.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Northwest, Our Lord's Lutheran Church, the Rev. Roger L. Gieschen, pastor, was organized November 1, 1959, with 37 charter members. Work was begun in this field June 1, 1958. The mission has been holding services in the refectory of an Episcopalian private school. The congregation has a parsonage, has just completed the purchase of a church site, expects now to conduct a capital funds drive and take other steps immediately to start construction of the first unit of a church building. The mission has had an unusually difficult task to secure a suitable church site in this suburban area which is located 9 miles from the heart of the city. With the many homes being built in this community it is anticipated that this mission will grow into a substantial congregation on the northwest side of Oklahoma.

Fields Entered but not Organized

Kansas City, Missouri, Northeast, Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, the Rev. Richard O. Scherch, developer. It has 42 charter members at the time of this writing. Work was begun in this field April 15, 1959. The mission has a parsonage and a church site, has conducted an early capital funds drive, and expects to be started on drawings for the first unit of a church building before the Convention. Homes are being built very rapidly in this area of Kansas City and with continued evangelism it is anticipated that this mission will grow into a large congregation in this new part of Kansas City.

Muskogee, Oklahoma, Good Shepherd, the Rev. C. A. Vammen has been serving as stated supply mission developer since December. Work was begun in this field June 1, 1958, by the Rev. John Roth who served until September, 1959. Twenty-six charter members are reported at the present time. The mission has been unable to rent a good place in which to hold services in the new growing area on the southeast side of the city. A large chemical plant employing a large number of people was closed for a time but has again been reopened. Muskogee is a community of about 45,000 people and has been growing at the rate of about 1,000 persons a year. The Home Missions Committee has asked the Board of American Missions to provide a full time developer again, and to construct a house chapel if no other good facilities for church services can be found. There is a loyal nucleus of devoted people in this mission. With a developer and a building for church worship and Sunday School it is anticipated that the mission can be organized and grow into a good congregation.

Raytown, Missouri, South (Kansas City, Missouri, Southwest), Christ the King, the Rev. Jearald J. Shaft began work in this field June 1, 1959, and the first church service was held September 13. Organization is anticipated some time this summer. The mission has a parsonage and a well located church site. This is a very fast growing area on the southeast side of Kansas City and it is anticipated that this mission can grow into one of the large congregations in the Kansas City area.

Tulsa, Oklahoma, Northeast, Advent, the Rev. Arthur Homburg began work in this field June 1, 1959. Organization is expected in the fall. The mission has erected a parsonage, and a church site has been purchased on an important street. There is much new housing in this area of Northeast Tulsa, and it is anticipated that the mission can grow into a good congregation.

Board Approved Fields to be Entered

Two new fields have been approved by the Board of American Missions for entry and organizers are being sought. Both offer opportunities to develop good missions. They are:

Joplin, Missouri
Wichita, Kansas, West

Anticipatory Fields

The Board of American Missions is now providing funds to purchase church sites in good fields adjacent to cities, in anticipation of housing development and the beginning of a new mission at a later date. Fields in which church sites have been, and are in the process of being, purchased on this basis are:

Blue Springs, Missouri (suburb on the east side of Kansas City)
Lincoln, Nebraska, Southeast
Omaha, Nebraska, North
Omaha, Nebraska, Northwest (Sunnyslope)
Omaha, Nebraska, far west (Boys Town area)
Tulsa, Oklahoma, Northwest (Osage Hills)
Wichita, Kansas, West (Westlink area)

Other Fields Allocated for Study and Survey

Independence, Missouri, North
Jacksonville, Arkansas
Kansas City, Missouri, Downtown
Kansas City, Missouri, far North (Platte County)
Marysville, Kansas
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Southwest
Omaha, Nebraska, South (Avery Crossing)
Plattsmouth, Nebraska
Shawnee, Kansas (Kansas City, Southwest)
Topeka, Kansas, Southeast

Board Salary Aid Missions

Bethel, Kansas, Prince of Peace. Organized, April 29, 1957. Donald C. Gates, pastor, began September 15, 1959. Facilities—parsonage; church lots; completed first unit of church building in March. Membership—confirmed 113, communing 100. Board salary aid, $2,220.

Broken Bow, Nebraska, Our Saviour. Organized, December 18, 1955. Erich Petersen, pastor, began January 15, 1959. Facilities—parsonage; church lots; working on drawings of first unit of church building; expect to start construction this spring. Membership—confirmed 75, communing 54. Board salary aid, $3,480.

Columbia, Missouri, St. Andrew's. Organized February 9, 1958. Morris J. Niedenthal, pastor began as developer July 1, 1957. Facilities—parsonage; church lots; working on drawings for first unit of church building; expect to start construction this spring. Membership—confirmed 136, communing 133. Board salary aid, $1,980.

Great Bend, Kansas, St. Mark's. Organized October 21, 1951. Victor Schoonover, pastor, began June 1, 1959. Facilities—parsonage; brick first unit church building. Membership—confirmed 185, communing 165. Board salary aid, $900.

Haysville, Kansas, Resurrection. Organized May 3, 1959. Leo R. Nielsen, pastor, began as organizer in February, 1957. Facilities—parsonage: house chapel; church lots; expect to conduct capital fund drive this year for further building facilities. Membership—confirmed 73, communing 57. Board salary aid, $3,300

Hot Springs, Arkansas, Prince of Peace. Organized May 10, 1959. Norman J. Hansen, pastor, began December 1, 1959. Facilities —parsonage; parish house building; church lots; have financial proposal for church building; expect to conduct next capital funds drive and start work on drawings this spring or early summer. Membership—confirmed 69, communing 55. Board salary aid, $3,900.

Kansas City, Missouri, Reformation. Organized April 3, 1955. Robert D. Hamilton, pastor, began February 1, 1957. Facilities—parsonage; house chapel; church lots; working on drawings for first unit of church building; expect to start construction in the fall. Membership—confirmed 132, communing 111. Board salary aid, $2,580.

Lee's Summit, Missouri, Martin Luther. Organized December 1, 1959. John K. Shirck, pastor, began January 1, 1958. Facilities—parsonage; church lots; first unit church building in construction, expected to be completed this spring. Membership—confirmed 85, communing 84. Board salary aid $3,120.

Little Rock, Arkansas, Faith. Organized May 10, 1959. Clarence W. Rhoda, pastor, began as developer June 1, 1957. Facilities—parsonage; large church building purchased and remodeled in 1959. Membership—confirmed 60, communing 60. Board salary aid $3,600.

Midwest City, St. Mark. Organized March 30, 1958. Daniel J. Adamcik, pastor, began June 1, 1958. Facilities — parsonage; church lots; selecting architect; expect to start on drawings for first unit of church building this spring and anticipate starting construction this fall. Membership—confirmed 103, communing 79. Board salary aid $3,300.

Omaha, Nebraska, Morning Star. Organized April 29, 1956. Martin C. Ashley and Walter H. Traub, D.D., pastors. Pastor Ashley began as organizer in 1955, and Dr. Traub began full time December 1, 1959. Facilities—one parsonage; house chapel; church site; working on drawings for the erection of a large first unit church building, and expect to start construction this summer. Membership—confirmed 265, communing 247. Board salary aid for Pastor Ashley $1,620.

Ralston, Nebraska, Messiah. Organized February 12, 1956. Heinz G. Ritzen, pastor, began as developer in 1955. Facilities—parsonage; house chapel; church lots. Expect to complete construction of first unit of church building within a few weeks and have dedication planned for May 29. Membership—confirmed 141, communing 120. Board salary aid $2,460.

Raytown, Missouri, Blue Ridge Trinity. Organized April 12, 1953. Arthur W. Miller, pastor, began September 23, 1954. Facilities—parsonage; first unit brick church building; adjacent church lots; parking lot and extra parsonage lots. Working on drawings for second unit of church building and expect to start construction in fall. Membership—confirmed 328, communing 249. Board salary aid $840.

Springfield, Missouri, Messiah. Organized April 5, 1959. John L. Rinde, pastor, began in 1958. Facilities—parsonage; house

chapel; church lots; working on drawings for first unit of church building and expect to start construction this fall. Membership—confirmed 87, communing 80. Board salary aid $3,000.

Superior Nebraska, Our Redeemer (with St. Paul, Hardy). Organized May 17, 1959. Henry E. Moyer, pastor began October 1, 1959. Facilities—meeting in chapel in store building. Seeking church lots and expect to conduct capital funds drive looking toward construction of first unit of church building. Membership—confirmed 35, communing 27. Board salary aid $300.

Sunrise Beach, Missouri, Kent Memorial. Organized in 1951. Raymond E. Johnson, pastor, began in 1953. Facilities—parsonage; attractive rustic style church edifice in Lake of the Ozarks region. Membership—confirmed 135, communing 99. Board salary aid $1,560.

Sutherland, Nebraska, Grace. Organized in 1902. Paul L. Roweldt, pastor, began December 1, 1958. Facilities—parsonage; church building and adjacent parish hall. Membership—confirmed 121, communing 78. Board salary aid $1,140.

Tulsa, Oklahoma, Ascension. Organized in 1955. Edward W. Amend, pastor, began in 1955. Facilities—parsonage; church lots with house in which weekday meetings are held. Construction completed on first and second units—parish hall all and administrative—parts of campus plan for buildings, and dedication was held April 3, 1960. Membership—confirmed 170, communing 146. Board salary aid $1,680.

Valley, Nebraska, St. Mark's. Organized in 1953. Fay Miller, Seminarian, began serving as stated supply January 15, 1960. Facilities—parsonage; regular church building and adjacent lot. Membership—confirmed 127, communing 82.

Wichita, Kansas, Reformation. Organized January 29, 1952. Lester M. Utz, pastor, began October 15, 1958. Facilities; first unit brick church building completed in September, 1955; Limited adjacent church lot; adjacent house for Sunday School use. The pastor has own parsonage. Because of limited space on present church site and a good offer for the sale of the church site and building, the congregation is taking steps to relocate. They are now seeking a church site and then will conduct a capital funds drive, and take steps toward construction of a larger church unit. Membership—confirmed 247, communing 172. Board salary aid $1,260.

Board Loan Missions

Alliance, Nebraska, St. John's United. Organized in 1950. Royce J. Scherf, pastor, began January 1, 1957. Facilities—parsonage; Colonial church building. Building debt structure adjusted and congregation now making good progress on debt. Membership—confirmed 278, communing 251.

Bellevue, Nebraska, Immanuel. Organized in 1944. Paul H. Konig, pastor, began in October 1956. Facilities—parsonage; church building and adjacent house used for Sunday School purposes; studying expansion of facilities for Sunday School and possible relocation. Membership—confirmed 206, communing 152.

Fort Smith, Arkansas, St. Luke's. Organized in 1929. Vacant. Seminary graduate Ray Peters to begin ministry here June 1, 1960. Facilities—church and parish hall; have sold parsonage. Membership—confirmed 178, communing 146.

Kansas City, Missouri, Bethlehem. Organized in 1948. Robert L. Lesher, pastor, began June 15, 1959. Facilities—parsonage; first and second church units; adjacent church and parking lots. Membership—confirmed 337, communing 207.

Lincoln, Nebraska, Latvian. Organized in 1954. Herbert Jessifers, pastor, began as developer in 1953. Facilities—parsonage-parish house building and adjacent recreational hall. Church services on alternate Sundays held at Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln. Membership—confirmed 353, communing 215.

Lincoln, Nebraska, United. Organized in 1921. Henry G. Knaub, pastor began September 1, 1958. Facilities—first and second units of stone church building; have constructed new parsonage on lot adjacent to church. Membership—confirmed 339, communing 253.

Lodgepole, Nebraska, Immanuel in two church parish with Chappell, Nebraska, Organized in 1921. Norman E. Schroeder, pastor, began in 1948. Facilities—parsonage; church and parish hall. Membership—confirmed 191, communing 158.

Omaha, Nebraska, Pilgrim. Organized in 1955. Charles B. Murnan, Jr., pastor began June 1, 1958. Facilities—parsonage; older first unit frame building on small lot; adjacent house used for Sunday School. Congregation has purchased 1¾ acre church site two blocks west of present site; have Board of American Missions proposal for substantial first unit building. Plan capital funds drive in May; will start on drawings for building and expect to start construction by early winter. Membership—confirmed 231, communing 200.

Omaha, Nebraska, St. Matthew's. Organized in 1952. Hugo H. F. Welchert, Pastor, began in January, 1956. Facilities—have purchased new house for parsonage and plan to use old parsonage for rapidly growing Sunday School; church building. Membership—confirmed 423, communing 310.

Prairie Village, Kansas, Faith. Organized in 1950, William F. Most, paster, began as mission developer in 1950. Facilities—parsonage; first unit church building; second unit church building completed in 1958; have church lots for further expansion. Membership—confirmed 527, communing 490.

Stillwater, Oklahoma, Salem. Organized in 1911. Alfred J. Duis, pastor, began in 1953. Facilities—parsonage; church building. Making good progress on church debt. Membership—confirmed 135, communing 134.

Washington, Kansas, Good Shepherd. Organized in 1948. Harvey H. Bernhardt, pastor, began in 1949. Facilities—parsonage; church building. Membership—confirmed 259, communing 213.

Synodical Aid Missions

Synodical Aid Missions are those missions which have been granted some type of aid from the Home Missions Committee dur-

ing the past year in the form of salary aid or assistance to the pastor for car allowance. Some are in limited population areas and without the help being provided by the Home Missions Committee of Synod would not be able to continue as congregations. Others have been given special aid in order to encourage more rapid development. This Synodical aid being given in 1960 is indicated below. The figures are given on an annual basis but are paid monthly, for whatever months the pastor is serving in the mission.

Broadwater, Nebraska, Messiah, $900
Columbus, Nebraska, Good Shepherd (United), $700
Greenleaf, Kansas, Trinity (vacant)
Hardy-Superior, Nebraska, St. Paul and Our Redeemer, $1200
Lincoln, Nebraska, Latvian, $270
Niobrara-Lindy, Nebraska, Niobrara and Good Shepherd, $250
Omaha, Nebraska, Pilgrim, $780
Sedalia, Missouri, Trinity, $400
Spencer, Nebraska, United, $400
Stella, Nebraska, Trinity, $1200
Walton-Eagle, Nebraska, Grace and Trinity, $900

Mission Ten

The United Lutheran Church Men, formerly the Brotherhood, has been promoting Mission Ten in the Central States Synod. Special thanks are extended to the men for their efforts in promoting this project and to the many persons and organizations who have been making contributions to Mission Ten.

Persons and organizations who become members pledge themselves to give ten dollars a year to the Mission Ten fund. A number have given more, even as much as $100 a year.

The funds are administered by the Home Missions Committee. Because of the constant moving of people in the Synod, and out of the Synod, it is difficult to keep the membership up to date, but it is somewhere around 700 at the present time.

The latest call of Mission Ten, extended in October, resulted in gifts of approximately $4,500 for the past year. There are still some who have not sent in their contributions from this call, and an appeal is extended to such persons to send in their contributions yet this year. Officers and members of the Synodical Lutheran Men have membership cards.

Because of the large number of missions entering building programs or completing them, all the funds from Mission Ten are now being directed to grants to the building funds of these missions in order to provide a gift of $1,000 for each mission at the time of dedication of its first unit church building.

Morning Star Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebraska, and Messiah Lutheran Church, Ralston, Nebraska, were each given grants on their indebtedness to Synod on their building and lot program of approximately $1,000 each. Faith Lutheran Church, Little Rock, Arkansas, was granted $1,000 this winter on the purchase and remodeling of its church building. Ascension Lutheran Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma was presented the $1,000 gift at the recent dedication of

its building on April 3. Two other missions, Prince of Peace, Bethel, Kansas and Martin Luther, Lee's Summit, Missouri, who will dedicate their buildings within the next few months will also receive such gifts. Six other missions are already working on their drawings for new church buildings and a number more will be starting very soon. This program offers a wonderful opportunity to give extra help to our missions.

National Lutheran Council Home Missions Committee

The Board of American Missions has reappointed the following pastors to represent the United Lutheran Church on the Regional Home Missions Committees of the National Lutheran Council for the territory covered by the Central States Synod:

Nebraska Regional—The Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.
The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D.
Topeka Regional —The Rev. Calvin J. Naugle, D.D.
The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D.

Synodical bodies that make up the National Lutheran Council at present are: United Lutheran Church, American Lutheran Church, Augustana Lutheran Church, Evangelical Lutheran Church, United Evangelical Lutheran Church, and American Evangelical Lutheran Church. The representatives of these National Lutheran Council Churches meet at regular intervals and allocate new mission fields to the various bodies, so that there will not be overlapping of the work in the new mission parishes.

Now that these six Lutheran groups are merging into "The American Lutheran Church (TALC) and the United-Augustana-AELC group (LAC), the National Lutheran Council has approached the Missouri Synod to join in planning mission strategy for new areas. Not much progress has been made to date.

The Board of American Missions

A special word of thanks should be given to the Board of American Missions and the staff of the Board for their help in carrying out the home missions work in the Central States Synod. Most of the members of the staff of the Board have been on the territory of Synod during the past year for meetings or tours in connection with the mission work of Synod.

A special Home Mission Pastors Conference was held February 15 and 16 at Kansas City, Missouri, to provide instruction and guidance for some mission pastors of the Synod. Three members of the Board staff were present at this conference.

Dr. Calvin J. Naugle, Kansas City, Missouri, of this Synod is an elected member of the Board of American Missions.

At the end of 1959 the Board of American Missions had a total of $1,006,719 in loans to mission congregations of the Central States Synod. This makes our Synod sixth in the amount of Board loans to a Synod, and our accelerated building program is just getting started. All of this money is loaned at a low rate of interest, usually 2 per cent, and some of it without interest. In addition the Board of American Missions provided approximately $77,000 in

grants for salary aid and rents to mission pastors and mission developers in the Synod.

Respectfully submitted
Reno R. Frobenius
Secretary of Home Missions

Home Mission pastors were asked to stand.

Pastor Calvin Naugle, member of the Board of American Missions, spoke to the convention.

Mr. William Suhr spoke to the convention on Missions Ten.

The Foreign Missions Report was presented by Pastor Ed Rohlfing.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

This past year a series of articles entitled, "Know Your Missionaries" was begun in the Central States Lutheran. It is proposed that this series continue until the picture and a short synopsis of the life and work of all the missionaries from our synod appear in the synodical magazine.

Your committee requested the Board of Foreign Missions that our Missionary Rev. John Nelson be asked to make an itinerary in our synod this year. In response the Board has arranged for Missionary Nelson to work in our synod from September 18th to October 2nd. In arranging the itinerary your committee will try to include areas of synod that have been most neglected in this type of service up to this time. The Board has further assured us that an additional itinerary may be arranged for Missionary Nelson in the spring of 1961.

On October 12 your committee met at the Church House in Omaha, Nebraska, with Rev. David L. Vikner of the Board of Foreign Missions to work out a promotional plan for your committee.

EPIPHANY RESPONSE:

Our synod contributed $1,041.73 in Epiphany Emphasis offerings; in the United Lutheran Church a total of $23,221.72 was received in this way.

Seventy-seven of the filmstrips entitled, "Lutheran Advance In Africa" distributed free by the Board were ordered by congregations. However only 32 ordered the literature; 10,752 pieces on the fact series were mailed out and 9,672 on the Literacy Story.

1960-61 MISSIONARY EMPHASIS

Theme: "Into All the World Together"

This will be a study in Interdenominational Participation in the World Missionary Endeavor.

MISSIONARY SUPPORT:

Much of the special missionary support is given through the United Lutheran Church Women. Following is a report of support that has been given through this auxiliary of the Church:

Frances Brouse—Liberia—Central States ULCW—$1200.00
Helene Harder—Japan—Central States ULCW—$1200.00
Martha Petersen—British Guiana—Central States ULCW—$2400.00

Elaine Wagner—British Guiana—Central States ULCW—$150.00
Myrtle Wilke—Argentina—Central States ULCW—$600.00
Esther Bacon—Liberia—Trinity Church, Columbus, Nebr.—$300.00
Mette K. Blair—India—Kountze Memorial, Omaha, Nebr.—$1800.00
Margaret Miller—Liberia—Sunday School, St. Luke's, Omaha—$600.00

In addition to the support given through the ULCW, congregations and individuals have given support directly to the Board or through our Synodical treasury as follows:

Rev. Murry Shull—Liberia—St. Mark's, Kansas City, Mo.—$3600
Rev. Robert Kocher—Malaya—Mr. & Mrs. Karl Scholz)
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Gigstad)—$300
Lancaster, Kansas)
Rev. Daniel Breunsbach—Japan—Grace Ev., Lincoln, Nebr.—$600
Rev. L. L'Heureux—Japan—First, Oklahoma City, Okla.—$600
Rev. Robert Kocher—Malaya—Luther Memorial, Omaha—$300

Through the Co-Partner Support program the following congregations have participated:

Benedict, Nebr.	Zion English	$ 50
Bennington, Nebr.	St. John's	75
Columbus, Nebr.	St. John's	100
Diller, Nebr.	St. Paul's	45
Emerson, Nebr.	St. Luke's	25
Fremont, Nebr.	Salem	150
Leigh, Nebr.	St. John's	25
Lincoln, Nebr.	Grace	150
Lincoln, Nebr.	Friedens	75
Omaha, Nebr.	Our Redeemer	150
	St. Luke's	150
Rockport, Missouri	First	25
Scribner, Nebr.	United	50
Syracuse, Nebr.	First	10
Tulsa, Okla.	First	100
West Point, Nebr.	Grace	40

E. F. Rohlfing, Chairman

A motion prevailed to defer the report on Lutheran World Action.

A motion prevailed to defer the Nebraska Lutheran Social Service report to Wednesday morning.

The Report of the Tabitha Home Directors was presented by Dr. Leland Lesher.

REPORT OF TABITHA HOME BOARD OF DIRECTORS

For the Year 1959

To our supporting Synods, their congregations, Pastors and

people we are grateful for your spirit of giving for the support of Tabitha Home, in the care of the Aged and Children. We continue to minister to the ambulatory aged, and to the children whom we receive. Long term custodial care of children has changed in the past decade. The children coming to us remain only for a shorter term of care. Our program is to give good child care in group living for a period of time. Likewise our care for the aged calls for adaptation because of the challenge of the ascendency of the senior citizen population. Tabitha Home needs your constant gifts and Prayers in her work of mercy.

THE AGED DEPARTMENT

Aged Guests at beginning of 1959:	83 (51 women, 32 men)
Received during the year 1959:	17 (13 women, 4 men)
Total cared for in 1959	100
Claimed by death or to Nursing Home	27 (20 women, 7 men)
Aged Guests at beginning of 1960	73 (44 women, 29 men)

Of these 73, we have 1 man 95 years of age; 8 between 90 and 94 years; 19 between 85 and 89 years; 19 between 80 and 84 years; 10 between 75 and 79 years; 10 between 70 and 74 years; 1-69 years; 10 between 65 and 69 years; and 5 under 65 years. Fifty of our guests are Lutheran. Our guests come from 5 different states.

THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

Children at Tabitha beginning 1959: (4 of these under our supervision in foster homes)	13 (4 boys, 9 girls)
Received during the year 1959	21 (12 boys, 9 girls)
Total number cared for in 1959	34 (from 11 families)
Dismissed to parents or Foster homes	21 (7 boys, 14 girls)
Children at beginning of 1960	13 (7 boys, 6 girls) (1 boy, 1 girl in private home)

Children cared for ranged in ages from 3 through 12 years.

MEMORIAL BUILDING FUND BALANCE

Balance, December 31, 1958	$ 81,272.81
Additions: (Exhibit D)	40,339.89
Balance, December 31, 1959	$121,612.70

CURRENT OPERATIONS

Income:	Operations	$ 62,494.22
	Income from Investments	9,444.00
	Appropriations	15,485.24
	Voluntary Contributions	19,610.68
	Community Chest	4,000.00
	Total Income	$111,034.14

Expenses:	Administrative	$ 76,745.50
	Plant Operations	17,640.69
	Service and Relief	13,595.55
	Capital Expenditures and Transfers	6,002.05
	Total Expenses	$113,984.79
	Excess of Expenses over Income	2,950.05

The Board of Directors are indeed grateful for the Benevolence Apportionment allocations of the Central States Synod as well as for the many special gifts. Through your gifts Tabitha Home has been aided in the year 1959 in her work.

Respectfully submitted,
Willard W. Alexander, Director
Leland H. Lesher, President
F. W. Nolte, Secretary

Dr. Willard Alexander, Superintendent, spoke to the convention.

A motion prevailed to extend the time by 10 minutes in order to complete the casting of ballots.

The session was adjourned with prayer by the Convention Chaplain.

The Service of Ordination was held Tuesday evening May 17. Pastors participating in The Service were: Alfred W. Young, Reno R. Frobenius, Hugo H. F. Welchert, and Vernon F. Jacobs.

The sermon, "Proclaiming the Gospel" was forcefully delivered by the Rev. John N. Slice. First Lutheran's fine choir greatly added to the solemnity and inspiration of the service.

Pastors participating in the Laying-on-of-Hands in the Ordination Service were: Herbert Jesifers, H. J. Diekhoff, Robert J. Haut, A. J. Duis, Gerhard Gieschen, Fred Ollendorf, Vernon F. Jacobs, E. J. Mattson, and Wilhelm C. Linss.

The following men were ordained into the Holy Ministry: Uldis Cepure, Leland R. Diekhoff, James Benjamin Felton, Lawrence Diedrich Fruhling, David William Gieschen, Rudolph Gottfred Jenny, Jr., Ray McKinley Peters, James Edward VonHolten, and Henry Yurk.

A reception was held in the Fellowship Hall following the service.

THIRD SESSION
Wednesday, May 18, 1960, 8:45 A.M.

The morning devotions were conducted by the Convention Chaplain.

The Committee on Minutes distributed the minutes of the First Session.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel reported.

A motion prevailed to adopt the recommended changes in the agenda.

The Committee on Elections reported.

Pastors Grant Van Boening and William Most and Messrs.

William Suhr and Kermit Wagner were declared elected members of the Midland College Board of Trustees.

A motion prevailed that Pastors Walter Rowoldt and Heinz Ritzen be declared elected members of Central Seminary Board of Trustees.

Messrs. Marius Christensen and Herman Langholz were declared elected members of Central Seminary Board of Trustees.

Pastors Claudius Jensen, Norman Schroeder, and Walter Mueller were declared elected members of the Examining Committee.

Ballots were distributed for the election of members of the Executive Committee.

The men ordained at this convention were formally received into synod.

The Report of the Committee on History was presented by Dr. A. B. J. Lentz.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HISTORY

At the 1958 Synod meeting the Executive Committee of Synod recommended that a committee composed of representatives from each of the three constituting synods be appointed to study the matter of preparing and publishing historical documents in preparation for the Centennial celebration in 1968. The Archivist shall be a member ex officio of this committee. This recommendation was adopted by Synod.

At its meeting held in March, 1960, the Executive Committee of Synod appointed Dr. T. J. C. Schuldt, representing the former Nebraska Synod; Dr. E. Tonsing, representing the former Kansas Synod, and Dr. L. J. Wolff, representing the former Midwest Synod, together with the Archivist, Dr. A. B. Lentz, to put the above-mentioned recommendation into effect.

The Archivist was directed to act as Convener and to call a meeting which might make recommendations to Synod. This meeting was held at the Church House on April 21, 1960.

As a result of due consideration, the committee decided to make the following recommendations:

WHEREAS, 1968 is the date of the Centennial of our Synod; and

WHEREAS, our Synod has no documental written history, and will have none, unless we provide it. (Of its constituent Synods: The Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States has a published history, written by Dr. H. A. Ott; it ends in 1906. The Midwest Synod has a published history from its beginnings to 1950. The Nebraska Synod has no published history.) and

WHEREAS, in 1963, if and when the merger is consummated, The Central States Synod will be separated into the Nebraska Synod and the Central States Synod, five years before its Centennial occurs. In addition, the Augustana Church, the American Evangelical Lutheran Church, and the Suomi Synod will be included in the two, requiring

inclusion of their pioneers, pastors, congregations, and institutions into the larger picture. This separation into two synods will create hindrances of a practical nature, which will make the writing of a history of the Central States Synod as now constituted more difficult, unless sufficient and proper provisions are made now, And,

WHEREAS, every year's delay in beginning the task of writing such a history eliminates more and more resource persons and resource materials from our reach;

WE THEREFORE, RECOMMEND:

1. That this Committee on History be authorized to begin writing a history of the first 50 years of the Central States Synod and its constituting synods for publication by 1963-1964 (with this exception however, that the history of congregations and pastors who served them be included up to the time of the publication of the book);

2. That Synod commit itself to assume the financial responsibility involved in publishing this history;

3. That the specifics concerning the book to be published be reported by the committee to the next convention for its approval. (The specifics relate to such matters as format, pages, pictures, cost, financing, sales, etc.);

4. That, in order to assist the committee in the task of collecting information and documentary material for such a history, each congregation be requested to appoint a Committee on History (such committee should be composed of persons qualified by interest in things historical, ability to write and to do research, and willingness to do so), and that congregations be requested to set aside nominal sums to cover such expenses which their committee on history may incur;

5. That the writing and publishing of the second half of the Centennial History shall be the responsibility of the newly-formed Nebraska and Central States Synods of The Lutheran Church in America. The publication of the first half of a century of our history shall be considered an installment and pledge that the second half will also be published.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. A. B. Lentz, Chm.
Dr. T. J. C. Schuldt
Dr. E. Tonsing
Dr. L. Wolff

A motion prevailed to adopt recommendation 1.

A motion prevailed to amend recommendation 2 by adding the words: and that the Executive Committee study the matter of financing and report back to the next meeting of synod.

A motion prevailed to adopt recommendation 3.

A motion prevailed to adopt recommendation 4.

A motion prevailed to refer recommendation 5 to the Executive Committee.

A telegram of greeting from the Illinois Synod was read to the convention.

The Report of the Stewardship Committee was introduced with an effective and thought provoking presentation by Mr. John Berger and Pastor Edward W. Amend.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP

The Stewardship Committee is grateful to God for His continued inspiration and guidance among the pastors and congregations of the Central States Synod. The members of the committee consider it to have been a blessed privilege to have served Him and their fellow pastors and laymen throughout the Synod by means of the cooperative effort of stewardship education.

Stewardship education is but one part of the ministry of Jesus Christ through His Church. Yet the Word of God, if truly and fully preached, takes structure in the lives of Christian people and motivates them to respond in sacrificial love, sincere Christian service, and dedicated dollars in order that the work of Christ might be strengthened. May the preaching of pastors and the teaching in congregations result in more such Christian stewardship throughout the Central States Synod.

The Committee on Stewardship met four times since the last convention of Synod. To further the cause of Christian stewardship in our Synod, the following activities have been accomplished:

1.—Stewardship Conferences were held in ten areas of our Synod with pastors, councils, and stewardship committees being invited. The Conferences were led by the Rev. Richard L. Peterman, Secretary of Stewardship of the Illinois Synod, and the Rev. Ivan Mattern of St. Paul's Church in Wichita. These Conferences were attended by 99 pastors and 407 laymen.

2.—Congregations were visited by laymen, serving as synodical representatives, to make a stewardship presentation and receive the congregation's Commitment for Benevolence. One hundred-seven congregations were visited by 104 laymen.

3.—A Summary of the Congregational Visits was made to the Executive Committee of Synod for information and evaluation.

In view of the many efforts which have been made for the Stewardship Conferences and Congregational Visits, the Committee wishes to extend a "Thank you" to Pastor Mattern, Paster Peterman, and the 104 willing laymen that served as synodical representatives. We would also convey the words of one layman who wrote: "Express our thanks to Synod for this privilege to serve them in a small way. We certainly are thankful for having this opportunity to serve our Lord and Master."

The Committee also wishes to express appreciation to those pastors and congregations that have shown concern and cooperation in the matter of a stewardship consciousness and growth. To each one, however, the increase of Benevolence receipts from 68% in 1958 to 81½% in 1959 must not cloud the picture. The actual amount of Benevolence given declined from $558,356 to only $535,847. The room for improvement is obvious.

Final thanks must be given to the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship for making materials and recommended programs available to each pastor and congregation. The use of these materials is urged upon you in the coming year.

Another year of service in Christ's Name extends before us. Requests have been received for direction and guidance to implement stewardship education on the congregational level. Be assured that further requests will be considered by the Committee, but nothing can replace the sincere efforts and desire of the pastor and local leadership to give expression to the Love of Christ through a greater benevolence outreach.

In conclusion, let us be reminded of the words of Scripture saying, "Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God . . ." and again, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; . . . For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." May the Word of God reach each one of us in such measure that a greater willingness to sacrifice for Christ and graciously give of our entrusted wealth may be made manifest in all areas of the Central States Synod and Church.

Recommendations were reviewed by the Executive Committee of Synod for approval and presentation to Synod.

Respectfully submitted.

Edward W. Amend, Chairman
Vernon A. Hintermeyer, Secretary
J. L. Richardson
John Langmacher
Ralph Bergstresser
William Hayden
Ivan G. Mattern
William Hogrefe
Raymond Johnson
Al Borcherding
Daniel Schroeder
Walter Gengenbach

The recommendation of the Executive Committee relative to the Stewardship plan was presented.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Part II

Recommendation

The Executive Committee recommends that a corps of Pastors and laymen be enlisted and trained by September of 1960, throughout the territory of Synod, who will be willing to visit with the Pastor-Council of a maximum of 5 congregations as recommended by the Stewardship Committee. This corps of Pastors and laymen is to be brought together for training at the expense of Synod. These men in turn would stand ready to accept invitations to promote stewardship in the congregation. The Executive Committee

will be encouraged to initiate such invitation in consultation with Pastor-Council.

A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation as amended.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Part IV

Information

Four Executive Committee meetings were held at the Church House in Omaha, Nebraska since the 1959 Convention of Synod: June 11, 1959, September 10, 1959, December 3, 1959, and March 14, 1960. All business as assigned by the Constitution and the Convention of Synod was cared for by the committee.

Committees

Appointive Committee members and officers were named and approved as indicated in the Directory of Synod published in the minutes of the 1959 Convention.

The following were appointed and approved since the last meeting of Synod:

Social Missions, Rev. Robert J. Hulse, Mrs. Clinton Muller. Rev. Norman Schroeder to serve as chairman.

Parish Education, Rev. Claudius Jensen to serve as chairman, Rev. Theodore R. Youngerman to serve as Director of the Midland Assembly, Mrs. Stanley Senness to serve as Children's Secretary.

Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska — Rev. Hugo Welchert, Council Representative; Mrs. Esther Rensch, Family Care Representative; Rev. W. W. Alexander—Care of Aged Representative; Rev. Kendig W. Rupley, Health and Hospitals Representative; Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, Institutional Chaplaincy Representative.

Nebraska Lutheran Social Service, Rev. Theodore J. C. Schuldt.

Synodical Luther League representative, Rev. Harlan Brei.

Midalnd College, Mr. Kermit Wagner.

Kansas Lutheran Student Foundation, Rev. Donald Gates.

Town and Country Commission of Nebraska, Rev. Henry Knaub.

Committee on History of Synod—Pastors Ernest Tonsing, Lorin J. Wolff, and Theodore J. C. Schuldt.

Retired Pastors

Christmas gifts of $10.00 were given to retired pastors of Synod not now serving parishes and to pastors' widows on the territory of Synod.

Pastors Received Into Membership

The Rev. Carl Deithloff, Pastor of St. John's, Auburn, Nebraska, transferred from the Texas-Louisiana Synod.

The Rev. James Seiffert, Pastor of Good Shepherd, Washington, Kansas, transferred from the Iowa Synod.

The Rev. Donald Gates, Pastor of Peace, Bethel, Kansas, ordained by the President of Synod.

The Rev. Norman Hansen, Pastor of Prince of Peace, Hot Springs, Arkansas, ordained by the President of Synod.

The Rev. Clarence W. Rhoda, Pastor of Faith, Little Rock, Arkansas, transferred from Pennsylvania Ministerium.

The Rev. James Grant, Pastor of St. Mark, Waterville, Kansas, transferred from the Pacific Southwest Synod.

The Rev. Henry Moyer, Pastor of St. Paul's, Hardy and Our Redeemer, Superior, Nebraska, transferred from the Mississippi Synod.

The Rev. H. J. Breda, retired, transferred from the Indiana Synod.

Call To Special Service

The Rev. Fred Pedersen to serve as chaplain in the armed forces (Army Reserve).

Congregations

The merger of Scherer Memorial, Chapman, Kansas and Bethlehem (Augustana) of Enterprise, Kansas was completed January 17, 1960.

Salem, Stillwater, Oklahoma and Zion, Perry, Oklahoma became two separate parishes each to be served by a full-time pastor.

Executive Committee Approvals

Purchase of parsonage and church site—Lawton, Oklahoma.

Purchase of church site—Lincoln, Nebraska S.E. (Eastridge).

Purchase of parsonage and church site—Raytown, Missouri S. (K.C. S.E.)

Purchase of parsonage and church site—Tulsa, Oklahoma N.E.

Purchase of church site—Tulsa, Oklahoma N.W.

Purchase of parsonage and church site—Wichita, Kansas W. (Westlink).

Purchase of real property—Joplin, Missouri.

Purchase of church site—Oklahoma City, Oklahoma S.W.

Purchase of church site—Independence, Missouri (N.)

Purchase of church site—Kansas City, Missouri (Far north—Platte County).

Convention Travel

The Executive Committee adopted the following recommendations concerning convention travel expenses:

1. That Synod pay synodical convention travel at the rate of:
   a. Four cents per mile for each delegate of Synod.
   b. Four cents per mile for retired pastors living on the territory of Synod.
   c. Four cents per mile from the bounds of Synod to the convention site for retired pastors of Synod living outside the territory of Synod.
   d. Four cents per mile for candidates for ordination at the Synodical convention. Mileage to be computed from the

candidate's home in the territory of Synod to the convention site, or from the bounds of Synod to the convention site if the candidate resides outside the territory of Synod.

2. All persons claiming travel expenses are to submit mileage claims to the Synodical Convention Travel Committee during the convention on forms provided by Synod.
   Mode of travel, i.e., auto, bus, train, or plane, may be selected by the delegates but reimbursement is to be as above, regardless of mode of travel chosen. Mileage is to be claimed for the shortest available improved land route. Final decision of reimbursement of mileage will rest with the Convention Travel Committee using a Rand McNally Atlas to determine distances involved where disagreement as to allowable mileage may occur.
3. The Synodical Travel expenses will be paid as soon as practical after the audit of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,
Hugo H. F. Welchert, Secretary

The Committee on Elections reported.

Pastors Paul de Freese and Ernest Tonsing and Messrs. Jack Bollinger, Paul Buskirk and Walter Hansen were declared elected members of the Executive Committee.

Dr. John W. Rilling continued his United Lutheran Church presentation.

Synod expressed its appreciation to Dr. Rilling for his contribution to our convention program by a rising vote of thanks.

The second balloting for clerical delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention was ordered.

A motion prevailed that the third ballot be limited to triple the number that remain to the elected.

The Report of the Executive Committee on Proposed Budget for 1961 was presented.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Part V

THE BUDGET

The Executive Committee presents the following Budget for 1961 and recommends the adoption of same:

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1961

A. Apportionment—The United Lutheran Church in America		$512,556.00
B. Apportionment—Synod		$301,476.00
Total Apportionment		$814,032.00
1. Higher Education		
Colleges (Midland)	$108,800.00	
Seminaries (Central)	34,000.00	
Ministerial Education	6,000.00	
Student Work	9,850.00	

Nebraska
$5,000.00—Current operation
2,000.00—Student House—Lincoln

Kansas
$ 750.00—Current operation
2,000.00—Student House—Manhattan

Oklahoma
$100.00—Current operation

Total		$158,650.00
2. Parish Education		
Youth Work	$ 750.00	
Audio Visual	600.00	
Summer Leadership Training School	750.00	
Total		$ 2,100.00
3. Home Missions		
Developing new missions, clerical staff, salary aid, rents, financing costs, office expense, grants	$ 28,000.00	
Total		$ 28,000.00
4. Social Missions		
Synodical Relief	$ 700.00	
Welfare	2,000.00	
Home for Aged and Children (Tabitha)	17,000.00	
Total		$ 19,700.00
5. Conventions	$ 2,400.00	
Synodical Convention	7,000.00	
Printing Costs—Minutes and Literature	3,000.00	
Total		$ 12,400.00
6. Boards and Committees (Cost of Meetings)		
Executive Committee	$ 2,000.00	
Home Missions	2,000.00	
Stewardship and Evangelism	1,500.00	
Other Committees	2,500.00	
Total		$ 8,000.00
7. Promotion		
Synodical Publication	$ 9,000.00	
Projects carried on by Stewardship Committee	4,000.00	
Evangelism Committee	2,500.00	
Synodical Committees Miscellaneous	500.00	
Total		$ 16,000.00
8. Executive Officers		
President's Salary	$ 8,500.00	
Assistant to President's Salary	7,500.00	
Housing and Adjustments	3,500.00	
Pension Contributions	2,076.00	

Travel Expense	10,000.00	
Other Officers, (Honoraria,) Travel and Miscellaneous Expense	4,000.00	
Total		$ 35,376.00
9. Office Expenses		
Secretarial and Clerical Salaries	$ 5,000.00	
Social Security	150.00	
Church House Payments	2,400.00	
Stationery and Supplies	2,000.00	
Telephone and Telegraph	1,800.00	
Postage	800.00	
Maintenance Church House	3,000.00	
Auditing	400.00	
Insurance	200.00	
Depreciation—Furniture and Fixtures Expense	1,000.00	
Depreciation—Church House Expense	500.00	
Total		$ 17,250.00
10. Contingencies		$ 4,000.00
Total		$301,476.00

Apportionment based on Communing Members

U. L. C. A.	$11.65
Synod	6.90
	$18.55

Allocations to Congregations based on communing members as reported in 1959 parochial reports.

A motion was made to increase the item under Social Missions —"Welfare" by $1,000.00.

A motion to defer this to the Executive Committee was lost.

The original motion was lost.

A motion prevailed to adopt the budget.

The session was adjourned with prayer by the Convention Chaplain.

The Memorial Service was conducted by the Necrologist, The Rev. Arthur H. Pinkall, D.D.

FOURTH SESSION

May 18, 1960, 2:30 P.M.

The Committee on Elections reported.

Messrs. Marvin Barnett, Merlin Brei, Ralph Dumler, Walter Gengenbach, Paul Palmquist, Elmer Sasse, William Suhr, and Clinton von Seggern were declared elected delegates to the U.L.-C.A. Convention.

A motion prevailed that remaining nominess after the required number of delegates are elected become alternates in order of votes received.

Additional nominees were made from the floor, namely: Messrs. Donald Raymond, Wilber Weddingfeldt, Marius Christensen, Ernest Oeltjen, Emil Sudman, Albert Hayden, and Henry Weinstein.

A motion prevailed that the nominations close.

The Committee on Elections reported.

Pastors Hugo Welchert and Lorin Wolff were declared elected delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel reported. A motion prevailed to formally receive new pastors of Synod not yet formally received.

The recommended changes in the agenda were adopted.

Pastor Carl J. Deithloff was formally received into Synod.

The Report of the Trustees of Central Seminary was presented by Pastor Harvey Clark.

CENTRAL LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

This has been a good year at Central Seminary, in different respects the best in its history. For the first time the enrollment has reached fifty, and during the second semester fifty-one. It is heartening to observe that while during the period of eleven years from 1939-1940 to 1949-1950, inclusive, the average enrollment was fifteen and four elevenths, the average during the period of equal length since the beginning of the 1949-1950 school year has been even forty or a little more than two and one-half times as large. According to classes, there were during the last year fourteen seniors, four interns, seventeen middlers and sixteen juniors. Twenty-four of them represent the Synod in the Central States, eight the Iowa Synod, nine the Rocky Mountain and five the Texas and Louisiana. Two come from ULCA Synods beyond Central's territory, two from other Lutheran Bodies and one is a non-Lutheran. Even though twenty-four of them are Midland graduates eighteen other colleges and universities are represented in the student body. Fourteen of them come from five congregations within the territory.

Too, for the first time in its history Central has had a faculty of eight full-time men, thus enjoying the enviable position of having a faculty-student ratio of one to slightly less than six and one-half.

Last summer it was decided that a new member should be added to the faculty. But the budget did not permit. Permission being secured, the president of the Seminary, through the mails, laid the facts before a representative group of individuals. The hearty and heartening response was glowing evidence of the concern the constituency has for the institution and its work. A Guest Professorship in the field of Practical Theology was thus established for a period of one year only.

Central has abundant reason for gratitude and for rejoicing. While grateful most of all for the blessings of God, Central rejoices also in the ever-increasing number of friends throughout the terri-

tory through whom He has bestowed many of his good gifts. There are those who in their wills are making bequests to the institution. Others are supporting it financially by special gifts while they live. Some are doing both. Last year the Board of Directors was constrained to ask the supporting Synods to increase their financial support as of January 1, 1960. All four of the Synods acted favorably. The Seminary is now gratefully receiving larger amounts therefrom. Believing that it is a matter of interest to our people everywhere, and of information to which they are entitled, we have report figures as to sources of income during 1959, according to the records of the Office Secretary.

Synod	Amt. Budgeted	Amt. Contributed	Amt. Contributed by Ind. & Groups
Central States	$32,000.00	$28,298.20	$6,092.18
Iowa	$14,000.00	$11,440.00	$ 949.10
Rocky Mountain	$ 8,000.00	$ 7,847.50	$ 62.00
Texas-Louisiana	$ 4,500.00	$ 5,799.30	$ 223.87

It should be stated that, especially since the fiscal year of the Seminary and that of the Synods do not correspond, the above figures could be slightly misleading. But even so, that is not all the story. The following additional amounts were also received:

Synod	Memorials	Special for the Library	Special for the Guest Professor
Central States	$500.00	$568.00	$6,100.00
Iowa	$ 10.00	.....	$ 460.00
Rocky Mountain	$ 5.00	$ 10.00	$ 100.00
Texas-Louisiana	$ 40.00	.....	$ 165.00

Central's largest single contributor to its current funds is the Wagner Mills of Schuyler, Nebraska, largely, if not exclusively, owned and operated by Mr. Kermit Wagner and his father. From that source $3,000 is received annually in support of the Anna M. Wagner Memorial Professorship of the New Testament. A like amount is received from the same source for the Wagner Faculty Enrichment Fund. This Fund will enable the seminary to permit and assist Dr. Gerhard Gieschen to take a sabbatical from January 1, 1961 to about August 15 of the same year. He plans to go to Europe.

Some apprehension has been felt as to how Central Seminary will fare in the new Church when the merger shall have been consummated. There would seem to be little question about the urgent need of a theological seminary within the vast territory served by Central. Representative and influential voices are heard to that end. But herein lies an added stimulus to acceleration in the strengthening and developing of the institution.

The annual Central Seminary Sunday was observed again this year, mostly on May 1, the Second Sunday after Easter, sometimes called Good Shepherd Sunday. Increasingly this is becoming an event which both the faculty and students eagerly anticipate.

The following figures are provided by the treasurer of the

seminary. The auditor's report of the treasurer is always available to anyone desiring to see it.

INCOME

Fees and Rentals	$ 8,917.01
Gifts and Grants	71,872.11
Other Income	3,914.24
	$84,703.36

EXPENSE

Instruction and Administration	$62,427.55
Operation and Maintenance	$10,220.04
Debt Reduction	$10,935.17
	$83,582.76
Operating profit for year	$ 1,120.60

Henry W. Opperman, Chairman
The Board of Directors

Dr. Gerhard Gieschen, member of the faculty of Central Seminary, spoke to the convention.

The following resolutions were presented:

1. That the Executive Committee of Synod be instructed to prepare a statement setting forth the need of a strong Theological Seminary within the bounds of our Central States Area.

2. That until the future merged church has fully decided, with our concurrence, on the advisability of any re-location of the Seminary; we continue to give our wholehearted support to the maintenance and improvement of Central Seminary in its present location.

The motion to adopt these resolutions was lost.

The Committee on Elections reported.

There was no election.

A motion prevailed that if there is no election on the next ballot for lay delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention that twice the number of men needed be placed on the ballot.

Minutes of the Third Session were distributed.

Minutes of the Second Session were approved as corrected.

The Report of Nebraska Lutheran Social Service was presented by Pastor Marvin Suhr orally.

Pastor Frank Moyer, institutional chaplain, spoke to the convention.

A motion prevailed that the next ballot for clerical delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention be limited to the number remaining to be elected, plus 16, which will be needed for the alternates and that the alternates be seated according to the number of votes received on the last ballot.

The Report of the Committee on Social Missions was presented by Pastor Norman Schroeder.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL MISSIONS

The Social Mission Committee has three areas of concern in the life of the Church. They are: Inner Missions, Social Action

and Evangelism. During this past year this Committee has had two meetings September 1, 1959 at Midland College Library Room and January 27, 1960 at the Church House in Omaha. At both meetings Pastor George Housewright was present. Since much of the concern has been directed toward Evangelism we want to express our appreciation to Pastor Housewright and the Board of Social Missions for assistance that has been given to the Committee in carrying out the responsibilities.

Inner Missions

This Committee has had a keen interest in the institutional ministry of the territory. Application was again made for the grant-in-aid from the Board of Social Missions of the United Lutheran Church. We are grateful for the $1,000.00 granted for the Omaha area and the $2,000.00 which was used in the Beatrice Area. We call it to your attention that the grant-in-aid is reduced annually at the rate of $1,000.00. We would like to encourage the congregations of Nebraska to remember the Nebraska Lutheran Social Service annual offering in order that this needed ministry may continue. It is also Our hope that it may be expanded.

A Committee under the leadership of our President Dr. A. W. Young has been working on the development of the Baptiste property. Merger factors have entered into the picture. This much we can say, studies carried on in the Kansas City, Missouri area at informal meetings gave prior claim to the care for aged in the proposed home.

Your chairman of the Social Missions Committee was the official delegate representing Synod at the Inner Mission Workshop in Minneapolis, Minnesota November 2-6. This workshop was sponsored by the Board of Social Missions of the ULCA. This was a very profitable meeting. The objectives of the workshop were:

1. Clarify in Conference with representatives of synods the place of inner missions in the ULCA, the authority and responsibility for inner missions at the level of the synod and the mechanisms for exercising responsibility in policy, program and financing.
2. Explore the role of Christian Service in the congregation.
3. Consider the materials, guides, and services which the Board of Social Missions should make available to the synods, congregations and auxiliaries.

It was also my privilege to attend the 28th National meeting of the Lutheran Welfare Conference in America held in Minneapolis immediately following the above workshop.

For study by our pastors, church councilmen and congregational social missions committees we recommend the use of the booklet "Goals and Guides for Christian Service in the Congregation". There are also several other important pieces of material dealing with service to the aged. "The congregation and the Older Adult," and "The Accent is on the Aged."

Social Action

The Conference on Christian Social Responsibility and Human Relations was held at Midland College September 1 to 3. We are grateful to the Board of Social Missions of the ULCA for having made this Conference possible. The lecturers were: Dr. Joseph Sittler, Jr.; Dr. Karl H. Hertz and Dr. G. Gordon Parker. Pastor Samuel Jensen served as moderator. The response in Synod was very good and the attendance was gratifying.

Respectfully submitted
Norman E. Schroeder,

Rev. Harry Allen spoke to the convention regarding the property given to Synod by Mrs. Baptiste. The property would make a fine place to build a home for the aged.

The Report of the Evangelism Committee was presented by Pastor Paul Rowoldt.

REPORT OF THE SYNODICAL EVANGELISM CHAIRMAN

Brethren by the Cross:

The technical difference between statistics and vital statistics may be a matter of personal judgment. But when one reads such scathing descriptions of the Church, 20th century, as: "We are angry with a church that often behaves like granny looking for her knitting while the house burns down," we can hope that statistics are vital, for our Central States Synod; the Mores Code to Challenging Concepts of Her Christian Concern; the marked degrees of Spiritual Temperature so vital in our day.

Significant Statistics, 1959; Individual Congregational Endeavors.

In contrast to the 1958-59 records, showing 39 out of a possible 47 reporting congregations with congregational evangelism committees, thus far in 1960 the records show 55 out of 83 congregations reporting permanent evangelism committees, and 96 out of a possible 187 congregations reporting lay-chairmen of evangelism.

In close relation to these figures, congregations are increasingly taking advantage of our synodical programs' phases as local needs arise: 151 were involved in one or more of these phases: 5 L.E.M., 7 Lay School participations, 4 Representative Visits, 11 Self-Studies, 12 Census or Surveys, were conducted in 1959. For the same period 57 congregations report regular prospect visits. In addition, 5 congregations conducted Independent Missions (Durant, Bennington, Gothenburg, Dakota City) and 3 congregations undertook New Life Mission Projects (Tulsa, Oklahoma; Tekamah and Sutherland, Nebraska).

Corporate Endeavors . . . 1959:

Two Area Missions were conducted last year: Wichita, Kansas and Hanover, Kansas.

SYNODICAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM . . .

To further strengthen and support our Synodical Evangelism Program, 7 Lay-Schools were conducted: Wayne, Lincoln, North

Platte, Nebraska; Kansas City, Salina, Kansas; Tulsa, Oklahoma; Sun Rise Beach, Missouri.

On Sept. 1, 1959, a Resource Program was launched with the following Pastors undertaking study, work-shop discussions, and instruction at Midland College: The Revs. Grant Van Boening, Wm. Most, Harry Allen, Paul de Freese, Eugene Smith, Morris Niedenthal, Paul Rowoldt, Norman Schroeder, Vernon Jacobs, Walter Rowoldt, Hugo Rathkamp, Robert Schlichter, Otto Matthias, Hugo Weichert.

These pastors will again meet for progressive training on Sept. 1-2 of this year, again at Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska.

The expressed purpose of this clerical leadership is to offer to individual congregations, upon their request to the Director of Synodical Evangelism, a source of personal guidance in recognizing congregational evangelism problems, and taking consequent remedial steps. This resource of clerical leadership was drawn on specifically in the instance of St. Andrew, Columbia, Missouri, when the Rev. Vernon Jacobs, Tulsa, Oklahoma traveled twice to Columbia for the purpose of setting up and holding the consultation meeting for a New Life Mission.

To facilitate increased synodical interest in this Resource Program, the Committee on Social Missions passed the following resolution at its Sept. 1, 1959 meeting:

> "The Social Missions Committee recommends that where possible the congregation shall provide for travel, meals, housing, and pulpit supply of the synodical leader. In areas where congregations are in need of assistance, application for subsidy shall be made through the Director of Synodical Evangelism, with the application for leadership and guidance at least 60 days prior to the first meeting.
>
> Where aid is granted for programs and where offerings are received, any deficit will be paid; surpluses occurring will revert to the Synodical Evangelism Program."

VITAL STATISTICS . . . 1960 . . .

The Evangelism Progress of 1959 warrants a Long-Range Vision of Vitality for 1960!

In this wise, the Social Missions Committee at its Jan. 27, 1960 meeting cited 4 basic objectives for this current year: 1. To use the present evangelism structure to the fullest extent. 2. To promote the use of area chairmen and the trained leaders. 3. Synod-wide group meetings with the leaders, and congregational leaders invited. These meetings to be held as time is available across the synod in 1960. 4. Promote more detailed report-form, so that the committee can analyze the need in synod, as well as know the particular needs in the congregations.

Item #3, above, (synod-wide meetings), have been outlined by our Regional Director of Evangelism, the Rev. George A. Housewright as follows: Topeka, Hanover, Russell, Kansas; Bloomfield, Wayne, Norfolk, Omaha, Lincoln, Fremont, Hastings, Grand Island, Lodgepole, Columbus, Auburn, North Platte, Nebraska; Oklahoma

City and Tulsa, Oklahoma; Sun Rise Beach, Missouri, Kansas City, Missouri, St. Joseph, Missouri.

Congregations located in the vicinity of the above named meeting-points will be urgently invited to attend the meetings.

What has been here described for both 1959 and 1960 is in accord with the authorized procedures of Synod, and as stated in the last convention report of the Director of Synodical Evangelism as "Depth Evangelism, mean less promotion of Evangelism as a separate *'program' of the Church, and more attention to Evangelism* as the 'total task' of the Church and an integral part of the mission of the congregation." (Pre-Program, 1959 Synodical Convention, page 55).

It is to be prayerfully hoped, that the requests for assistance during 1960, totalling 89 at this writing, will give significant evidence at the next annual synodical convention of the faith, hope, and time invested in it by those responsible to this synod for leadership in vision and in action.

Respectfully submitted:
Paul L. Rowoldt
Synodical Evangelism Chairman,
Ad interim

The Report of the Luther League was presented by Pastor Harlan Brei.

REPORT OF THE LUTHER LEAGUE

During the past year the Luther League has been desperately trying to solve the problems we have as a result of being spread out over a five-state area. These problems are (1) too far to travel to attend synodical planned programs, (2) lack of a synodical feeling of oneness, and (3) lack of Christian Spirit which is shown by the leaguers' and pastors' unconcern for helping the synodical league, which in turn affects both local leagues and the Luther League of America. Several recommendations were brought before the convention assembly last summer which should help in solving some of our problems.

A summary of our program follows:

1. CSLL CONVENTION. Travel distance to the fifth annual convention was more closely equalized by having it at Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas, August 9-13, 1959. 217 attended the sessions which stressed the convention theme, "Here Am I, Lord." Officers elected were President, Roger Grothen, Juniata, Nebraska; Vice-president, Dick Frederick, Emporia, Kansas; Secretary, Judy Yake, Independence, Missouri; Treasurer, Wayne Buskirk, Hutchinson, Kansas; and Elected Advisor, Rev. Dean Sudman, Parkville, Missouri. Because of the league's constant failure to meet financial obligations, especially to LLA, it was decided to change from the 'grace system' of giving to an 'apportionment system' during 1960.

2. NEXT CONVENTION. The sixth annual synodical convention will be held August 8-11 at Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska.

3. LLA CONVENTION. Around 100 of our leaguers were able to attend the 1959 LLA Convention on the Cornell University campus at Ithaca, New York. From our group, 78 rode the two buses chartered by the synodical league. Both buses stopped at Niagara Falls on the way to the convention.

The 1961 Convention of the Luther League of America will convene on the campus of the University of Illinois, Urbana, August 14 through 19.

4. THE PLAINSMAN. **The Plainsman** has been discontinued, *and in its place the league has several columns in the* **Central States Lutheran** under the title, "YOUth."

5. OFFICERS CONFERENCE. During Thanksgiving vacation, four members of the Synodical Luther League Executive Committee attended the annual Luther League of America's State/Synodical Officers Conference at the Southeran Hotel, Columbus, Ohio.

6. CHURCH VOCATIONS CONFERENCE. At the time this report is being written, the Christian Vocation Committee, with the help of Synod, the ULCW, and ULCM, are making plans for the second annual co-educational Church Vocations Conference to be held April 1-2 at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Kansas City, Missouri.

7. DISTRICT SYSTEM. During the past year the synodical league has changed to a system of 14 districts instead of the original six conferences. Each district has one pastoral advisor and one leaguer chairman, with an exception being the Northeast District which has three advisors. The action to change to districts was approved at our convention last summer. Rev. Henry Gittler of Lanham, Nebraska has been appointed to serve as Synodical Rally Chairman. A Rally Planning Session was held at Lanham, Nebraska, December 28, 1959, in order to plan the 1960 spring rallies.

8. CONFERENCE RALLIES. A new high of around 900 attended the six rallies held in the fall of 1959. The main item of business was the dissolution of the conferences in order to change to the new district system.

Respectfully submitted,
Roger Grothen

The Report of the United Lutheran Church Women was presented by Mrs. John Slice, President.

REPORT OF UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN

During the past year, it has been stressed many times that United Lutheran Church Women is an auxiliary of our church and that its members are first and foremost members of the congregation. The work that we do in our organization is an addition to our responsibilities as church members. We are striving to keep the "Purpose" of our organization before us and are working to fulfill it.

Our 9,151 women contributed $54,924.21 to the Synodical organization in the year July 1, 1958-June 30, 1959, which showed an

increase in membership and offering. Our annual convention was held at Midland College, October 13-15, 1959, with 256 delegates and a greater number of visitors attending. The convention theme was "Speak." The following organizations were received into membership: Immanuel, Lodgepole, Nebraska; Our Redeemer, Superior, Nebraska; Resurrection, Haysville, Kansas; Prince of Peace, Hot Springs, Arkansas; St. Luke's, Stanton, Nebraska; and Zion, Diller, Nebraska. A $17,500.00 budget was adopted which includes aid in salary support to the Misses Frances Brouse, Helene Harder, Martha Petersen, Elaine Wagner, and Myrtle Wilke. The following were elected officers and functional committee chairmen: President, Mrs. J. N. Slice; Vice President, Mrs. Fred Kloepper; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Robert Gaston; Statistical Secretary, Mrs. Fred Ollendorf; Treasurer, Mrs. J. D. Evans; Membership Chairman, Mrs. Vernon Jacobs; Education Chairman, Mrs. Robert Tonsing; Christian Service Chairman, Mrs. Ray Bottorff; Offerings Chairman, Mrs. Vernon Hintermeyer.

Scholarship aid for the 1959-60 academic year at Midland College was granted to Misses Patricia Eckert of Hastings, Susan Peters of Omaha, Sharon Swanda of Schuyler and Judy Yake of Kansas City.

Pioneering in Area Workshops was begun last fall in Northwest Conference and proved to be very successful. Workshops were held in Lodgepole, Paxton, and Grand Island with a total attendance of 202. A similar workshop approved by the Synodical Executive Board was conducted by Southeast Conference in the Kansas City Area.

Our Executive Board met January 13-14, 1960. Spring conferences were discussed, dates set, the theme "It Can Be Done—In Christ" selected, with Miss Myrtle Wilke as guest speaker. Tentative plans for our convention to be held in St. John Church, Salina, Kansas, September 27-29, 1960, were outlined. "First His Kingdom" was chosen as the convention theme.

We pray that through our fellowship in work, study, and worship, our auxiliary may through our cooperation with the Boards of the Church do much in bringing about the coming of His Kingdom on earth.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. N. Slice, President

Mrs. Slice spoke to the convention.

The Report of the United Lutheran Church Men was presented by Mr. Marvin Barnett, President.

REPORT OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH MEN

The 1959 Synodical convention was held in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Auburn, Nebraska on September 22. Representatives from 25 churches attended.

Our banquet speaker was Carl Jacobson who is the Executive Secretary of the Augustana Churchmen. His message was indeed a challenge.

Two of our active scout workers were given national honors by being awarded the Lamb Award. This is the highest award given to a worker in Scouting. They were: Pastor Foster Cress of Grace Church, Walton, Nebraska and Jim Williams, St. Luke's Church, Omaha, Nebraska. Only 25 such awards are presented yearly in the ULCA.

The promotion of Mission Ten has continued to be a big job assigned to the men of the ULCM. Each unit has been furnished information concerning Mission Ten. If anyone has any questions concerning this project, they can secure the answers from any member of the ULCM. If you would like to have this explained at a worship service, contact any ULCM group. They will be happy to send a representative to explain the program.

The men's groups are still active in reducing the debt created by the purchase of a new organ for the Lutheran students Center, Lincoln, Nebraska.

This year the ULCM again supported the Church Vocations Conference sponsored by the Luther League.

Two new units have affiliated with the Synodical ULCM. We welcome them to our fellowship. They are: Pilgrim of Omaha and Resurrection of Wichita.

At the ULCM National Convention held at South Bend, Indiana the writer was elected as a Member-at-large to the National Executive Committee. The Synod now has two members on the Committee. The other member is Pastor Lester Utz, Wichita, Kansas.

In the year 1959 the number of active men's groups affiliated with the Synodical and National ULCM totaled 60. There are more men's groups in the Central States Synod which we hope will affiliate in the near future. Our goal is to have an active men's group in each church in Synod. From such groups we feel will come the leadership to help each church grow and shine forth with a brighter light in 1960 and each year thereafter.

Respectfully submitted,
Marvin R. Barnett
President

Mr. Barnett spoke to the convention.

The Committee on Elections reported.

Mr. Paul Buskirk was declared elected delegate to the U.L.C.A. Convention.

Pastors Paul de Freese, Reno Frobenius, and Ernest Tonsing were declared elected delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention.

Minutes of the Third Session were approved as distributed.

The Report of the Committee on Parish Education was presented by Pastor Claudius Jensen.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PARISH EDUCATION

Meetings. The committee met in the Church House, Omaha, Nebraska, November 10, 1959, and January 7, 1960. The Rev.

Gerald O. Pedersen, Th.D., guest professor of Parish Education at Central Lutheran Theological Seminary, Fremont, and Mr. Roger Grothen, President of the Synodical Luther League, were present at the November meeting. Sister Sophie Damme, Field Secretary for the Board of Parish Education, was present at the January meeting. Sister Sophie presented up-to-date information relative to the activity and planning of the Board and also discussed some of the new study materials.

Committee Personnel. In the Minutes of the 1959 Convention of the Synod (page 4) the Rev. Morris J. Niedenthal of Columbia, Missouri, is listed as chairman of the committee. Pastor Niedenthal asked to be excused as chairman since he did not feel he was familiar enough with the committee responsibilities having only been appointed to the committee in the previous year. (1959 Minutes, page 92). In consultation with the President of the Synod the undersigned was appointed a member of the committee for one year, to serve this year as chairman. Following these changes the committee personnel, appointed by the President of the Synod for 1959-60, was as follows:

The President of Synod

Rev. Claudius E. Jensen (1960) ..... Omaha, Nebraska
Rev. Morris J. Niedenthal (1960) ..... Columbia, Missouri
Rev. Stanley Senness (1962) ..... Emerson, Nebraska
Miss Clara Shafersman (1960) ..... Hooper, Nebraska
Mr. Clinton von Seggern (1961) ..... Scribner, Nebraska
Mr. Carl Grothen (1962) ..... Hastings, Nebraska

Consultative Members

Director of 1960 Midland Assembly
Rev. Theodore R. Youngerman ..... Nebraska City, Nebraska
Visual Aids Librarian
Mrs. Arthur W. Miller ..... Raytown, Missouri
Children's Work Secretary
Mrs. Stanley Senness ..... Emerson, Nebraska

Appointments. At the January meeting the committee appointed the Rev. Morris J. Niedenthal to represent the Synod at the Mid-West Regional Conference on Parish Education, sponsored by the Board of Parish Education, to be held at the Chicago Lutheran Theological Seminary, Maywood, Illinois, June 14-15, 1960. At the same meeting the Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Senness were appointed to attend the Leader of Leaders Laboratory School, sponsored by the National Council of Churches of Christ in America, at Fairbault, Minnesota, July 3-15, 1960. It was announced that the Rev. Arthur W. Miller of Raytown, Missouri, had been appointed by the magazine "Resource" to serve as reporter for the Central States Synod.

Children's Work Secretaries. In an effort to obtain Conference Children's Work Secretaries Mrs. Stanley Senness requested the assistance of the Conference Presidents. The following persons have been appointed: Northwest Conference, Miss Lucille Schacht, Doniphan, Nebraska; Northeast Conference, Mrs. Fred Ollendorf,

Leigh, Nebraska; Central Conference, Mrs. Henry G. Knaub, Lincoln, Nebraska, (unconfirmed); Southwest Conference, Mrs. Lillian Kohr, Salina, Kansas; Southeast Conference, Mrs. Harold Hamilton, Lawrence, Kansas; Southern Conference, (To be appointed).

Field Work By Board Of Parish Education. The emphasis for 1960 is the Weekday Church School. The major concern will be in developing WCS programs where none now exist. The method used will be to work with Synodical Committees and Directors of Parish Education. With the approval of the President of Synod the committee held a special meeting on Thursday, March 24, 1960, in the Church House, Omaha. The purpose of this meeting was to confer with Sister Sophie Damme of the Board of Parish Education, on all matters pertaining to the Weekday Church School program. Also, to meet with Mrs. Sara Louise Markle, Children's Work and Missionary Secretary for the Board of Parish Education, on the Children's Work Program. The Conference Children's Secretaries, under the direction of Mrs. Senness, were invited to attend this meeting in the hope that they could assist congregations in their particular conferences in both the Weekday Church School and Children's Work Program. Pastors and congregations are invited to call on the Conference Children's Work Secretaries for information and assistance in both of these areas.

Audio Visual Aids. Mrs. Arthur W. Miller, Librarian, has continued to do an efficient work in caring for the many details of the library. New materials have been placed in the library in order to keep it up-to-date. A supplementary page to be inserted in the Catalog of the Synodical Audio-Visual Library will be mailed to all congregations in the near future. This page will list all materials added to the library since the publication of the catalog in 1958. It should be kept in mind that the library is for the purpose of supplementing the libraries of individual congregations. The synodical library cannot acquire all the items desired nor can it always have more than one copy of a particular item. It is necessary to recognize certain limitations. However, in so far as possible, it is desired that the library be of continued service.

Midland Assembly. The 1959 Midland Assembly was held on the Midland College campus, July 27-31. There was a total of 90 enrolled with 22 congregations represented. The 90 registrants included 4 pastors, 28 young people (24 girls, 4 boys), 7 children, 40 adults, 11 Instructors and Staff Members.

The Financial Report follows:

Income	
Synod in the Central States	$750.00
Registrations	187.17
	$937.17
Expenditures	
Harold Hamilton	38.40

Stanley Senness	11.68
Miss Vesta Dobson	14.00
Dean Sudman	40.00
Board of Parish Education	20.00
Board of Foreign Missions	20.00
Vernon Jacobs	71.20
Claudius Jensen	23.42
U. L. C. Publication House	12.94
Religious Film Libraries	6.20
Modern Sound Pictures	9.20
Midland College	122.00
Men's Memorial Hall	5.40
Rev. William Wahl	25.00
Elaine Wagner	25.00
Mrs. Dorothy Anderson	10.00
Rev. William Linss	35.00
Mrs. Carrol Voss	35.23
Mrs. Lee Ora Benton	25.00
Henrietta Rinderspacher	25.00
Miss Martha Hellman	10.00
Andy Fuhrmeister	15.00
Cash (Honorariums to cooks and waitresses)	58.00
Ralph Ritzen	5.00
Vesta Dobson	2.15
U. L. C. Publication House	4.74
First-St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Hastings	14.75
Total	$688.82
Balance on Hand	$248.35

Balance on Hand was refunded to the Treasurer of the Synod.

Miss Clara Schaferman,
Treasurer-Registrar

On November 24, 1959, the Rev. Theodore R. Youngerman asked to be relieved from his duties as the 1960 Director of the Midland Assembly. It was with regret that Pastor Youngerman's resignation was accepted.

At its meeting on January 7, 1960, the committee approved the following recommendations to be referred to the Executive Committee of the Synod for action: (1) That the 1960 Midland Assembly be cancelled. (2) That a Summer Leadership Training School or schools be held in 1961 in such place or places as may be determined by the Committee on Parish Education. (3) That the congregations belonging to the merging Synods located on the territory of the Central States Synod be invited to cooperate in such a school or schools. The Executive Committee approved the above recommendations at a meeting held on March 14, 1960. The above action seemed advisable since it was felt that such a program warrants a more enthusiastic interest than that which has been indicated within recent years.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudius E. Jensen, Chairman

eight of these a year. This is called "the most intensive effort the Board of Publication has ever undertaken to put doctrinal books in understandable language into the hands of lay people."

Not all of the books on the Spring List are covered here, and the Fall 1960 List is the longest in the history of the Board. The Board of Publication is expanding its services in other directions. A new store was opened in Harrisburg, Pa. on October 27, 1959, and others are planned in 1960; in September 1959 the Board leased 10,000 square feet of space and set up a wood shop where fine woodcarving and cabinet work can be done.

B. Books appearing over the past year from other publication houses, which may be called to your attention, are:

John Bright, A HISTORY OF ISRAEL, Abingdon; one of the most significant books ever written by an American in the Old Testament field.

Oscar Cullmann, THE CHRISTOLOGY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, Westminster; a translation.

Jaroslav Pelikan, THE RIDDLE OF ROMAN CATHOLICISM, Abingdon; winner of the Abingdon Award.

Jaroslav Pelikan, LUTHER THE EXPOSITOR — Companion Volume to LUTHER'S WORKS, Concordia.

Karl Barth, FROM ROUSSEAU TO RITSCHL, SCM Press; translation of eleven chapters of DIE PROTESTANTISCHE THEOLOGIE IM 19. JAHRHUNDERT.

Two important works formerly unavailable, now reprinted in paperback by Augsburg Publishing House, are:

A. Koberle, THE QUEST FOR HOLINESS

G. Forell, FAITH ACTIVE IN LOVE.

Catalogs and further information may be obtained from Muhlenberg Press in Philadelphia, or your nearest ULPH store.

Respectfully submitted,
Wesley J. Fuerst, chairman.

The Report of the Committee on Pensions was presented by Pastor Karl H. Konig.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS

Your Committee passes on information received from Pension Headquarters:

1. During 1959, 213 members joined the Contributary Pension Plan. The active membership totals 3,497.

2. During 1959, 281 members joined the Family Protection Plan. The active membership totals 3,117.

3. The Family Protection Plan is now in its tenth year of operation. To date benefits totaling $239,500 have been paid to the beneficiaries of 97 members.

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At its meeting on January 7, 1960, the committee approved the following recommendations to be referred to the Executive Committee of the Synod for action: (1) That the 1960 Midland Assembly be cancelled. (2) That a Summer Leadership Training School or schools be held in 1961 in such place or places as may be determined by the Committee on Parish Education. (3) That the congregations belonging to the merging Synods located on the territory of the Central States Synod be invited to cooperate in such a school or schools. The Executive Committee approved the above recommendations at a meeting held on March 14, 1960. The above action seemed advisable since it was felt that such a program warrants a more enthusiastic interest than that which has been indicated within recent years.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudius E. Jensen, Chairman

Mrs. Stanley Senness, Children's Work Secretary, spoke to the convention.

The Committee on Elections reported.

Mr. John Langmacher was declared elected lay delegate to the U.L.C.A. Convention.

A motion prevailed that the next ballot shall be limited to twice the number of delegates to be elected, and that the persons named on this ballot who are not elected shall be declared alternate delegates in the order of the number of votes they receive.

Further, that the names on this ballot which do not appear on the next ballot shall also be declared alternate delegates in the order of the number of votes they received.

The Report of the Committee on Student Work in Non-Lutheran Schools was presented by Pastor Harold Hamilton.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF STUDENTS NON-LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

KANSAS-MISSOURI-OKLAHOMA AREA

Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas. Contact Pastor Paul D. Olson, Pastor of The First Lutheran Church. There are 290 NLC perference students enrolled. A graduate assistant, assigned by the Division of College and University Work of the NLC, assists with the work on the campus. Luther House, located at 915 Denison St. and dedicated in October 1958, is the focal point of student activities on the campus. A Chapel Service is held on Tuesday, a Religious Course is taught on Thursday and Bible Study is held every Sunday. NLC students participate in the worship of First Lutheran Church by serving as ushers, singing in the college choir and teaching in the Sunday Church School. A Faculty Groups also meets regularly.

Kansas University, Lawrence, Kansas. Contact Pastor Harold Hamilton, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church. There are 260 NLC preference students enrolled. As the scheduled graduate—assistant assigned to KU was unable to come, we secured the services of two members of the local congregation to assist with NLC work on the campus. An LSA is organized and meets weekly at Trinity Lutheran Church. NLC students participate in the worship of Trinity Lutheran Church by serving as ushers, singing in the choir and teaching in the Sunday School. A Bible Study class is held every Sunday morning. Forty faculty members make up the Lutheran Faculty Group which meets regularly, usually from 4 to 6 times a year. The local congregation serves a dinner the first Sunday of Registration for freshmen students and their parents. A reception and open house at the church is also given to freshman students during Orientation Week. The ULCW provides rolls for the students during their Bible Class each Sunday morning.

Fort Hays State College, Hays, Kansas. Contact Pastor Harry B. Hull, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church. Total NLC enroll-

ment of 127 students. An LSA is organized which meets each week at the Student Memorial Union. Although some students attend the Sunday worship services of the church most of the students go home on the weekends. The church makes its building available for recreation to the NLC students periodically. The local congregation serves a dinner the first Sunday of Registration for freshman students and their parents. Pastor and wife have NLC students at their home at least once during the year.

Kansas State Teacher's College and College of Emporia, Emporia, Kansas. Contact Pastor Sherman Frederick, Pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Total NLC enrollment of 98 students. An LSA is organized and meets weekly at the church. NLC students assist in the church choir and in the teaching of Church School pupils. The local congregation assists the NLC students occasionally with a dinner and party.

University of Missouri, Stephens College and Christian College of Columbia, Missouri. Contact Pastor Morris Niedenthal, Pastor of St. Andrews Lutheran Church. Total NLC enrollment at the three schools is 275 students. An LSA is organized which meets twice a month. As St. Andrews is a newly established mission they are not able to provide space for NLC functions because they meet in temporary worship quarters. The Missouri Synod Lutheran Church has a student congregation and a student center with a full-time man serving the 400 Missouri Synod Lutheran students.

NEBRASKA AREA

Wayne State Teachers College, Wayne, Nebraska. Contact Pastors are Pastors R. E. Shirck and S. E. deFreese. Total NLC enrollment is 200 students. The LSA meets twice a month and they begin with a supper. The supper is cooked by the ladies of the local congregations and is served at cost to the students. Average attendances at LSA meetings is from 25-50. A morning chapel service is held twice a month from 7:30-7:50 A.M.

Nebraska State Teachers College, Kearney, Nebraska. Contact Ronald Ebb, Pastor of First Lutheran Church. Total NLC enrollment is 140 students. The LSA meets twice a month on the campus and occasionally at the church for social functions. Members of the local congregation have contributed toward a travel fund for the NLC students to attend conferences and the Ashram.

Hastings College, Hastings, Nebraska. Contact Pastor Paul deFreese, Pastor of First St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Total NLC enrollment is 80 students. Sister Dorothy Stadler, deaconess at First St. Paul's Lutheran Church, is the supervisor of NLC work on the campus. The LSA meets twice a month on Sundays at the church or in homes. Average attendance at LSA meetings is 25. Lutheran students serve as members of the Sunday Church School staff as well as sing in the church choir. The local congregation assists financially so that NLC students can attend the Ashram.

Chadron State Teachers College, Chadron, Nebraska. Contact Pastor Gerald Flathman, Pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church. Total NLC enrollment is 60 students. The LSA meets twice a month—the first Wednesday in the Parish Hall of the church and the third Wednesday at the home of a Lutheran faculty member. The fine assistance of the Lutheran faculty has been of tremendous help in the program with Lutheran students on the campus.

Peru State Teachers College, Peru, Nebraska. Contact Pastor Hugo M. Rathkamp, Pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Auburn, Nebraska. Total NLC enrollment is 60 students. The LSA meets weekly except during the Lenten Season at which time the Lutheran students attend the mid-week Lenten Services of the church in place of their regular meetings. Average attendance at LSA meetings is 20. Some meetings are held in the homes of Lutheran faculty members.

Nebraska University, Lutheran Student Foundation, Lincoln, Nebraska, has a separate report prepared and sent in by Student Pastor, Alvin M. Petersen.

SUGGESTIONS FROM CONTACT PASTORS TO PASTORS OF THE CENTRAL STATES SYNOD:

1. Pastors of Synod should send a list with addresses of pre-enrolled students by July to contact pastor or pastors where students plan to attend.
   a. This would give contact pastor an opportunity to contact the student prior to his actual arrival. College records are seldom available until October of the school year.
2. Pastors of Synod should urge their students to immediately contact the local Lutheran church upon their arrival on the campus.
3. Pastors of Synod should encourage their students to actively participate in the services of the Lutheran church in the university or college town.
4. Pastors should encourage the idea of Associate Membership with the local Lutheran church, or even of complete transfer of membership, since many students will seldom return to live in their home towns.
5. Churches should strive to give additional funds to the Lutheran Student Foundation of Kansas, the Lutheran Student Foundation of University of Nebraska and any other Lutheran Student Foundations which might be organized on the territory of Synod so that we can adequately carry on the important work of keeping in contact with our Lutheran students on non-Lutheran campuses.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold E. Hamilton, Chairman

LUTHERAN STUDENT FOUNDATION
University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska

MINISTRY AND PROGRAM

The ministry to students and faculty at the University of Nebraska and other schools in Lincoln includes the full program of worship services and activities of a parish. There is worship each Sunday morning in the Chapel with Holy Communion twice a month. The teaching ministry includes a course each semester for credit at Cotner School of Religion, taught by a guest professor from Central Seminary or one of our nearby church colleges. There are Bible Study Classes and other courses in Christianity. A class preparatory to membership is taught each semester. All students are contacted regularly by mail and nearly all new students are contacted personally. Counseling consumes a great deal of the pastor's time. There is a Kupples Klub and a Grad-Faculty Fellowship. The Lutheran Student Association, a student movement, is active and meaningful. There is Vespers each Wednesday evening and special services during Lent. The Lutheran Student Choir of 45 voices is under the direction of Mr. Ravnan from the School of Music. Besides singing at each Sunday worship, the choir gave thirteen concerts in congregations in Nebraska. During the past year the choir has raised money to purchase forty new robes.

There are about 850 National Lutheran Council students at the University of Nebraska each semester and about 50 at Nebraska Wesleyan and another 50 in nurses' training. We reach between 450 and 500 of these through our ministry. The 120 single local students and the 200 married students are referred mainly to the local Lutheran Churches. Attendance at worship in the Chapel averages 110 and 170 on Sundays. 370 different persons attended communion in 1959, with 925 communing. One infant and one adult were baptized. Nine were confirmed and one Hungarian Lutheran student received by adoption; there were four wedding services and one funeral service. All ministerial acts are entered in the records of a local congregation.

CHAPEL AND OTHER PROJECTS

The Chapel was dedicated in November 1958, at a cost of $65,000.00. The organ and other furnishings to date have cost $3,500. There is only $15,000 debt on the Chapel, which will be reduced by $8,000 in 1961 by a grant from Phase III of the National Lutheran Council center fund. When the Chapel was built there were no funds for permanent seating. The students have initiated a campaign and raised $1,600 among themselves and sufficient funds have been raised from others to provide the pews for the main floor. They are to be installed before Easter. All that remains of major furnishings are pews for the balcony.

CURRENT OPERATIONS

The current operational budget for 1959 was $18,297.53. Of this amount $10,431.78 was for staff, $5,206.30 for facilities and

$2,659.45 for programming. The National Lutheran Council contributed $4,700; church bodies in Nebraska, $9,510.93 (of this, the Central States Synod, $4,928), student Sunday offerings, $2,139.65, and special gifts amounted to $1,883.27.

BOARD MEMBERS

The Foundation Board of Directors consists of members appointed by the National Lutheran Council Church bodies in Nebraska. The members from the Central States Synod are Dr. Alfred Young, Dr. Leland Lesher, Dr. Herman Goede, Pastor Henry Knaub, Pastor Harvey Clark, Mr. Robert Ramig, Professor Virgil Johnson, Mr. R. S. Adams, Mr. Walter Jobman, and Mr. Merle Lipe.

For our Foundation and the Division of College and University Work, we express to the Central States Synod gratitude for its continued interest and financial support. We covet your prayers for this strategic ministry to our Lutheran youth.

Respectfully submitted,
Alvin M. Petersen, Pastor

The session was adjourned with prayer by the Convention Chaplain.

FIFTH SESSION

Thursday, May 19, 1966—8:30 A.M.

The morning devotions were conducted by the Convention Chaplain.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel reported.

A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendations relative to the agenda.

The newly elected officers of conferences were installed by the President.

American Bible Society literature packets were distributed to the convention.

The following resolution was presented:

a) That the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States invite the Joint Commission on Lutheran Unity to consider Kansas City, Missouri, as a site for the constituting convention of the Lutheran Church in America, and that a similar invitation be extended to each of the merging churches.

b) That a committee be appointed to prepare a prospectus of the facilities available in Kansas City for such a convention and that the prospectus be sent with each invitation.

A motion prevailed to refer this matter to the Executive Committee for study and power to act.

The convention expressed itself as being in favor of extending the invitation.

The Committee on President's Report was presented by Pastor George Eller.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Committee on President's Report has examined the Report of the President as found in the program for the Ninety-Second Annual Convention of Synod. We call attention to two typographical errors, on page 12, bottom line "Louisville, Nebraska, Christ, the 49th Anniversary should read 40th; on page 12, St. Joseph's, Missouri, New "broiler" should read new boiler.

Be it resolved that the Central States Synod in Convention assembled recognize the tremendous number of duties and responsibilities of the President and his staff; and that we, recognizing the load placed on his shoulders, do what we can to lighten the load; Pray God's blessings upon him; and that Synod give a rising vote of thanks to the President for his faithful and untiring leadership.

Submitted by
George W. Eller
Paul de Freese
Marvin Suhr
Al Borcherding

A rising vote of thanks was expressed to President Young by the convention.

The Committee on Elections reported.

There was no election.

The Report of the Lutheran World Action Director was presented by Pastor Fred Ollendorf.

REPORT ON LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

"Let us not grow weary in well doing. . . . So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all men, especially to those who are of the household of faith." Galatians 6:9-10.

That "opportunity to do good to all men" of which Paul speaks, as far as we are concerned, can well be considered Lutheran World Action. For its program does give to all of us the opportunity to do good to all men everywhere and especially to Lutheran Brethren in need.

Let us consider this more than an opportunity. Rather let us consider this support of LWA a great privilege granted to us by our Lord. In this world there is much want and privation, we have the abundance of the necesasry things in life. (Bear in mind this, our nation has 44% of the world's entire income.) We well understand the words of our Lord, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." We are not in any great want so that we must depend upon the generosity of others for our daily needs. We have much to be thankful for, as we are of the "haves" and not the "havenots."

Our synod in the 1959 appeal for LWA came within 83% of reaching her goal. This was better than the previous year's performance, but still leaves much room for improvement, as it should have been at least 100% or better. When we study the treasurer's final report on the individual giving of the congregations, we have reason for joy and also disappointment. There were many congregations who met their goals, and they were not few that went beyond the call of duty and oversubscribed, and this did much to raise to a higher percentage the giving of our synod.

But on the other hand there were other congregations who by their failure to reach their goal brought down the average, and in some the giving was so low that it indicated that very little effort was made to present the appeal of Lutheran World Action. Had these congregations only made a little more effort in their appeals our synod would have reached her goal.

If every congregation would make an honest effort to present the appeal for Lutheran World Action, then surely our synod would not only reach her goal, but, perhaps, go beyond.

"Let us not grow weary in well doing," says Paul. But how often is not this weariness indicated with a "What again!" answer to the LWA appeal. This report is not going to burden anyone with a lot of statistics, or for that matter, a lot of reasons for the support of LWA. This report is listing only two reasons for its support, but it is asking every pastor and congregational leader to give these to his members. They are: 1. The Lord commands us to support LWA. 2. We are Christians.

You may ask wherein does Jesus ask us to support LWA, and the answer can be found in His parable of the Good Samaritan where he says, "Go and do likewise." Which, naturally, means us. Now of course, the Good Samaritan could have failed to help, and could have—to our way of thinking—offered many good excuses. He could have said that this man was his natural enemy and would never do him anything but harm, or that he would not even have appreciated his help, or that he had enough of his own people that needed his help, or that he had to support his own local church program and community needs so much that he did not have anything left for anyone else, or (this is the most sorry excuse of all) someone else will surely come along and help.

But the Good Samaritan gave none of these excuses. Rather, he went to a great deal of risk, trouble and expense to help him. We ought to impress upon members of our congregations that they should have enough faith in their Savior that they would listen to His appeal for the unfortunate and help them through LWA.

The second reason for the support of Lutheran World Action is that we are Christians. The very term "Christian" implies it. For it means to be like Christ, and if we would be Christ like, then, naturally, we would love others and be concerned about them. John asks this question, "If anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?" (I John 3:17) By the same token we should ask ourselves this question, "If we, being Lutherans (i.e. LWF), having the world's goods, knowing the needs of the unfortunate, and knowing that Lutheran World Action can and does help them, and yet turn our hearts against these needy and become indifferent to the appeals for their causes, dare we still have any right to call ourselves Christians?" Remember, Christ does care, and we can do no less.

The Committee on Lutheran World Action
Fred Ollendorf, Chairman

Invitations for the 1961 Convention were extended by Luther Memorial Lutheran Church of Omaha and Midland College.

A motion prevailed that Synod accept the invitation of Midland College.

A motion prevailed that if the Executive Committee finds satisfactory arrangements cannot be made for the convention at Midland College, the Executive Committee be authorized to make other arrangements for the 1961 meeting of synod.

The Report of the Committee on Licensure of Laymen was presented by Dr. Gerhard Gieschen.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTE ON LICENSURE OF LAYMEN

Your Committee on Licensure of Laymen has carefully studied the question of greater participation on the part of the laity in the functions of the Ministry of the Church and herewith presents its findings and recommendations.

I. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

A. There are two primary reasons why the Church is concerning itself with this matter at this time. The first is general and may be regarded as a logical development of the Protestant idea of the Church and its Ministry. There is abroad today in the world of Protestantism a movement to review the traditional relationship between clergy and laity. In the past, the laity has usually been called upon to perform significant tasks in the Church only in times of emergency and, in spite of affirmations to the contrary, has been relegated to an inferior position in the Church as far as participation in spiritual leadership is concerned. It is now being proposed that lay Christians be given a permanent part in the exercise of the Christian Ministry, a part which would be recognized as having the dignity that belongs to the office of the Word. This does not mean that the necessary distinctions between various forms of the Ministry are to be set aside; but it does involve a change in the Church's appraisal of the place of the laity in the Church.

The second reason is practical and specific, arising, in part, from the recurrent crises precipitated by a shortage of fully trained and ordained ministers in the Church. Though the crisis through which our Church, as well as others, has recently passed, seems to have been somewhat abated, it is still far from being resolved. In this situation the question arises whether the Church could not more adequately meet its obligation if it had, besides the ordained Ministry, a recognized Ministry of laymen who could, in a specific and circumscribed manner, augment its effectiveness in the preaching of the Word. The times simply demand a broader use of the Church's manpower. Half-measures, apparently, will no longer suffice. The Ministry itself, at least in certain of its phases, must be placed on a broader basis. Again, there is no thought of making the distinction between the several functions of the Ministry a matter of indifference. The point is, rather, to give to such a lay

Ministry a dignity commensurate with its importance as a form of the Ministry of the Word.

B. The United Lutheran Church in America, at its convention in Seattle, Washington, in 1962, took a significant step forward by defining its conception of the Ministry. While it concerned itself at that time solely with the ordained Ministry, there are implications in that action which may properly be extended to include also some form of non-ordained Ministry. One of these refers to certain limitations in the ministry of those who serve the Church in positions other than the parish ministry as administrators, executive secretaries, elected officers, and as teachers in colleges and seminaries. The 'call' is actually 'limited,' in these cases; not their ministry as such, but with respect to their tenure of a particular office or position. Although the Ministry is properly conceived of as an 'office,' and not as an 'order,' this kind of limitation is considered to be not only necessary but justifiable. From this it would appear that the traditional opposition to every kind of limitation of the 'call' cannot be maintained. If this is true, a 'limited' lay Ministry may not be a perversion of the idea of the 'call.'

The power to 'call' resides in the Church as such and is exercised by virtue of the Divine Word (inclusive of the sacraments) which resides in the Church. But while "the authority and the duty to proclaim the Word belong to every individual," it is also clear that "the office of the Ministry . . . cannot be derived from the universal priesthood, but must be derived from the nature of the church itself." (Quotations are from the official Minutes of the Seattle Convention, pp. 551-553.) It has always been understood, at least in the Lutheran Church, that "the right to proclaim the Word to the congregation and to administer the sacraments is . . . not the right of every man, but only of those who have been called by the church to perform this task on its behalf . . . A regular call from the church is, therefore, necessary before an individual member of the church may assume publicly the office of Word and sacraments which is necessary to the life of the church. "Ordination is" an ecclesiastical rite by which the call is ratified and the office of the ministry is publicly committeed to the one called. It confers no permanent rank or indelible character" . . . Nevertheless, "it is important, for it stands for the dignity of the office and safeguards good order." And finally, "distinction in position and work exist by human right and not by divine right. Tradition and expediency should be recognized as such and not considered constitutive and normative."

On the basis of this understanding, it is difficult to say why the Church should not have the right and power to establish several forms of the public Ministry of the Word if it believes this would make its proclamation more effective. There seems to be no valid reason why, besides an 'ordained' Ministry with specific functions, there should not also be a recognized 'un-ordained' Ministry of comparable dignity and likewise with specific functions. Everything would in either case depend on the same two factors: 1) The 'call' of the Church, and 2) the required qualifications. The call to ad-

minister the sacraments could well be reserved for the 'ordained' Ministry, not because ordination confers extraordinary powers (which it does not), but because in the area of the sacraments, disorder is most likely to occur. The 'pastor' would still be the shepherd of the flock in a comprehensive way. But public preaching of the Word, the liturgical ministry in public worship, teaching the Word in the Church schools, assisting the pastor at Holy Communion: these and similar functions could well be shared by others and entrusted to qualified lay people through a 'call' of the Church. They would be selected in view of their special gifts and other qualifications and specifically trained for the fulfillment of their 'office.' The time during which they may serve at any given place could be limited in accordance with need, and they could be 'called' again and again to specific work. Since all lay persons are potentially subject to 'call' as servants of the Word, the decisive factor in every case would be that they are 'called' to a specific part of the Ministry by the Church. They should be publicly certified and inducted into office in a manner not essentially different from the ordination and installation of pastors. The name of 'pastor' would be reserved for those who by ordination have been certified for the entire gamut of ministerial functions. Other titles could be devised for the others, such as Teacher, Deacon, and Lay Reader. The congregation or the Church would in every case decide the precise functions they are to perform.

It appears that such a procedure would not violate the Lutheran conception of the 'call' nor run counter to the understanding of the Ministry expressed by the United Lutheran Church in America. The understanding of the matter in the Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church is not basically different. The latter adopted at the synodical convention in St. Paul, Minnesota, June 13-19, 1955, a statement called 'Revised Rules and Regulations for Lay Preachers' in which thoughts similar to those expressed above are incorporated. Furthermore, the Council of N.L.C. Seminary Presidents, at its meeting in Washington, D. C., Nov. 21-22, 1959, discussed the 'Adequacy of the Curriculum for Training Lay Leadership in the Church'; though they took no action, this discussion reveals the direction of their thoughts.

In view of the fact that the Church as a whole has not yet worked out a complete program which would operate in the merged Church, anything we here can recommend can have only a tentative and provisional character. Nevertheless, it would seem that the following proposals would not run any serious risk of being out of harmony with the thinking of the Church as a whole. This appraisal is further supported by the fact that at least one of the constituent synods of the ULCA, the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, in 1958 and 1959 adopted resolutions establishing the right and functions of the 'Lay Reader' in its midst.

II. SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

A. **The Establishment of the Office of Lay Reader**

On the basis of the above considerations we respectfully recommend

1) That the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States go on record as recognizing in its midst the right to establish the office of Lay Reader where and when this becomes desirable or necessary.

2) Appointment of 'calling' of such Lay Reader shall be in the hands of regularly constituted congregations within the Synod and also in the hands of the Synod acting through its President and/or Executive Committee.

3) Lay readers may function either within their own congregations or in other congregations to which they may be assigned from time to time by the President of the Synod.

4) A member of a congregation within the Synod may be recommended to the President of Synod as a Lay Reader by his congregation or pastor, or, with the approval of his congregation, church council, or pastor, by the President of the Conference in whose territory the candidate resides.

B. The Duties and Functions of Lay Readers

1) Any communicant member of the Lutheran Church, of full age and proper qualifications, may serve as Lay Reader in the congregation of which he is a member, under the direction of the pastor with the approval of the church or parish council, and may read such portions of the service as the pastor may direct, and also a sermon approved by the pastor. During relatively brief periods when the pastor is absent from his congregation, such as vacations, the congregational Lay Reader may conduct the regular worship service, if and when he is asked to do so by the pastor. (This applies only to congregations having a pastor, and not where a pastoral vacancy exists. If there is a vacancy, the Lay Reader shall be appointed by the church council or congregation with the approval of the President of Synod.)

2) A Lay Reader may perform similar services in a congregation or preaching point other than the one of which he is a member when so appointed by the President of Synod in response to a definite need with the consent of the congregation and of the President of the Conference in which he is to serve.

3) When a Lay Reader is appointed to serve in a congregation in which there is a pastoral vacancy, he shall perform his duties under the direction of the President of Synod. If a Vice-Pastor has been appointed by the President of Synod, the Lay Reader shall serve under his direct supervision and in co-operation with him.

4) Since there is nothing in our teaching that forbids lay persons from assisting in the administration of the Holy Communion, and since their serving in this capacity would not effect the validity of the sacrament, the Lay Reader, as well as other laymen specifically appointed by the con-

gregation for this purpose, may assist the pastor in the distribution of the elements in Holy Communion when the services of ordained ministers as assistants are not available.

5) Lay Readers are *not* authorized to administer the sacraments, particularly Holy Communion, but may serve only as assistants to the pastor who is in charge of the service. (This applies also to Student Interns, since they remain laymen until ordained. It does not affect the accepted custom of Emergency Baptism, which may be performed by any Christian.)

Where there is a Vice-Pastor, he shall be responsible for the administration of the sacrament as a matter of course.

6) Lay Readers may wear such vestments as may be determined by the pastor (or Vice-Pastor) and the church council, provided they are in harmony with the general practice of the Synod.

7) No appointment of a Lay Reader in a vacant congregation shall normally be for more than one year, and the same Lay Reader should not succeed himself in the same congregation except under unusual circumstances.

C. **Qualifications and Training of Lay Readers**

1) Qualifications of Lay Readers should include the following: Membership in good standing in a Lutheran congregation, including a record of faithfulness, loyalty, and devotion to his own congregation; good character and reputation; fairly broad experience in the life of the Church; at least average intelligence and good judgment; emotional stability; a willingness to learn and to serve; neatness in appearance and cleanliness; courtesy and tact in dealing with other people; a reasonably good education.

2) A training program should be established, possibly at the Seminary, and Lay Readers should be required to undergo training, if necessary.

3) Detailed plans of this program, including such items as curriculum, dates, and hours, should be prepared and mailed to all congregations of Synod.

4) An administrator of the Lay Reader Training Program should be appointed who will select the teaching staff and administer the program generally in co-operation with the Seminary.

III. CONCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS

A. We recommend that Synod urge all congregations to begin using their lay members *now* in some of the ways here suggested, such as reading the liturgy and an occasional sermon. In this way, men will gradually become available who can participate in a limited ministry also on the synodical level.

B. We recommend that Synod give official approval to a Lay

Reader program as outlined in this report and authorize the Executive Committee to further develop plans whereby it may be implemented.

C. We finally recommend that funds sufficient to cover the estimated cost of a training program for one year be made available by the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee:

G. Gieschen, Chm.
A. C. Baughman
Lorin J. Wolff
Wm. F. Zimmerman
Howard Peterson

++ SUPPLEMENT ++

Your Committee tentatively suggests the following items of detail in connection with the Lay Reader Training Program:

1) A minimum standard of 24 hours of class-room work should be required, distributed as follows: a) Bible—8 hours; b) Homiletics—4 hours; c) Liturgics—2 hours; d) Public Reading—2 hours; e) Doctrine—6 hours; f) Church Policy and Administration—2 hours.
2) A travel allowance of five cents per mile should be given to those taking the course.
3) The cost of such a program, including administration, teaching, and travel allowance is estimated at between $800.00 and $1000.00 for the year, depending on the number of persons enrolled and on the distance they must travel in taking the course.

A motion was made to adopt recommendation I.

The motion that we express our agreement with the principles and recommendations of the report and that the entire report be referred to the Executive Committee with power was lost.

A motion prevailed to adopt the substitute motion that the report of the Committee on Licensure of Laymen be studied at the conferences in the fall of 1960 and then acted on at the 1961 convention.

The Committee on Elections reported.

Pastors Leland Lesher, William Most, Calvin Naugle and Grant Van Boening were declared elected delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention.

The Report of the Committee on Camp Property was presented by Pastor George Search.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CAMP PROPERTIES

Camp Wa Shun Ga is located in Geary County, Kansas, thirteen miles southwest of Junction City. In 1959, it was open from May 31 through August 29, a total of 13 weeks.

The camp's facilities were used by our Synod for youth and family camps during 13 days, divided into three camping periods. They were used by the Augustana Lutheran Synod during 22 days, divided into four camping periods and by the American Lutheran

Church for one camping period of six days. Remainder of the time was used by six non-Lutheran groups, divided into eight camping periods.

Wa Shun Ga was maintained and serviced by a staff of eight employees. Mr. Charles Stuart, who was camp manager for seven years, was unable to serve last year during July and August. He was replaced with Mr. William Schnakenberg, of Polk, Nebraska. Another loss to the camp is Mrs. Noton Martinitz, who had been cook for Wa Shun Ga campers since the 1951 season. She will not return in 1960.

Only one major improvement was made in 1959. At a cost of $5,362.00, two additional cabins were built. One of them was erected in the girls' area, the other in the boys' area.

Respectfully submitted,
George L. Search, Chairman

Pastor Heinz Ritzen spoke to the convention.

Minutes of the Fourth Session were approved as distributed.

The Report of the Committee on Youth Work was presented by Pastor John Slice.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH WORK

The Youth Work Committee of the Central States Synod met at the Church House in Omaha on Friday, October 30, 1959, for the purpose of nominating to the Executive Committee of Synod directors for the various Synodical Youth Camps for 1960 and to study the work of the Luther League.

Youth Camps

Camping for 1959 brought hundreds of our young under the influence of well-qualified church leaders. The camp leaders are chosen on the basis of their special abilities and interest in young people. We are indeed grateful for the excellent work done by the directors of the 1959 camps and for the services rendered by all staff members. Interest in camping is improving in our Synod as facilities and the camp programs are improved.

Our Committee has discussed the idea of having a uniform fee for all camps but this seems to be an impossibility. We have only one Synodically owned camp—Wa-Shun-Ga—near Junction City, Kansas. All other camps have to rent facilities from state parks or other organizations. Some camps have to provide additional staff members to provide meals for their campers. Other camps go to camp sites where the meals are furnished by the organization that owns the camp. The above are some of the reasons why we cannot have a uniform fee for all camps.

There were four camps operated on the territory of our Synod in 1959. The camps and their directors were as follows:

Camp Sheldon, Columbus, Nebraska, the Reverend Robert Shirck.

Camp Wa-Shun-Ga, Junction City, Kansas, the Reverend Robert Hamilton.

Camp Wanatu, Niobrara, Nebraska, the Reverend Daniel Schroeder.

Camp Lutherhoma, Tahlequah, Oklahoma, the Reverend Chesmond S. Bade.

The camps and their directors for 1960 are as follows:
Central Nebraska Camp, John N. Slice
Camp Wa-Shun-Ga, Robert Hamilton
Camp Niobrara, Daniel Schroeder
The Southern Camp (Lutherhoma), E. W. Amend
Christ Centered Cedar Point Camp, Vernon Hintermeyer

Camp Sheldon was so called because it attended camp at Camp Sheldon, Columbus, for twenty-five or thirty years. This Camp is not returning to Camp Sheldon this year. The facilities have not been improved and kept in good repair and the management has not been very cooperative in the past three years. The swimming pool is nothing more than a glorified mud-hole. It was not used by our young people last year to any degree. So this camp will go to Camp Covenant Cedars, near Stromsburg, Nebraska, this year. Camp Covenant Cedars is in excellent condition, well staffed and under the management of the Covenant Mission Church.

The Southern Camp (Lutherhoma), under the direction of Pastor Amend, is seeking to unify all the churches in the southern part of our Synod for a wonderful camping experience this year.

Watch the Central States Lutheran for the dates of the various camps. You will be receiving publicity from the various camps.

Luther League

The Youth Work Committee appointed two sub-committees at its last meeting. One sub-committee was to study the duties and responsibilities of the Synodical Luther League advisor, who is the liaison representative between the Youth Work Committee and the Synodical Luther League. The other sub-committee was appointed to study the possibility of setting up a Luther League Leadership School for leaguers and advisors.

The Report of the President of the Synodical Luther League appears on pages 98 and 99.

Our Synodical Luther League Advisor, the liaison between the Youth Work Committee and the Luther League, is the Reverend Harlan Brei. Pastor Brei is doing a fine job in cooperation with the officers of our Luther League.

Respectfully submitted,
John N. Slice, Chairman

A motion prevailed that the synodical advisor to the Central States Luther League be directed to do all in his power to provide notice to all concerned well in advance of all scheduled Luther

League and camping activities, including district rallies and standing committee programs.

The Report of the Committee on Publications was presented by Dr. Wesley J. Fuerst.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

The Committee should like to present its report in two parts: A. recognition of books published by Muhlenberg Press, and B. reference to significant books appearing from other publication houses over the past year.

A. Noteworthy books have recently appeared on a wide variety of subjects. Some of these books are: GOD AND THE SPACE AGE by Martin Heinecken, LUTHER ON THE CHRISTIAN HOME by William A. Lazareth, CHURCH MUSIC AND THEOLOGY by Erik Routley, WORSHIP by Luther D. Reed, MAN AND THE INCARNATION by Gustaf Wingren, NATURE AND AUTHORITY OF THE BIBLE by Raymond Abba, CONCEPT OF GRACE by Philip Watson, and THE DYING AND LIVING LORD by Helmut Gollwitzer.

Of historic importance is the new translation of the BOOK OF CONCORD. Representative theologians of the Lutheran Church —Missouri Synod and of the United Lutheran Church in America were the translators of this scholarly edition.

The publication of LUTHER'S WORKS continues, with volumes 1, 12-14, 21-23, 31-32, 36, 40, and 51 now published, and volumes 9, LECTURES ON DEUTERONOMY, and 34, CAREER OF THE REFORMER IV, scheduled for this spring.

For those who did not purchase the three-volume set of Muhlenberg's Journals but who want the meat of these diaries, NOTEBOOK OF A COLONIAL CLERGYMAN will fill a gap.

For a fresh approach to catechetics, the first volume of a two-volume series on TEACHING LUTHER'S CATECHISM was published in September 1959. The second volume will be published in September 1960. The new parish education periodical, RESOURCE, appearing since Fall 1959, has been the joint project of the LCA merger churches.

A rich selection of devotional material is available. The MINISTER'S PRAYER BOOK and A LUTHERAN PRAYER BOOK, both prepared by John Doberstein, are useful. THE MARTIN LUTHER CHRISTMAS BOOK and ON THE WINGS OF HEALING were republished in September 1959; DAY BY DAY returned to print January 4, 1960. GIFTS FROM THE LAND, based on devotional thoughts arising from observing nature, is being published this spring.

HIGH IS THE WALL, a novel concerning Protestant-Catholic marriages, was made available in a paperback early in 1960.

Most notable is the new series for laymen—Fortress Books—on subjects about which laymen ask questions. It is planned to publish

eight of these a year. This is called "the most intensive effort the Board of Publication has ever undertaken to put doctrinal books in understandable language into the hands of lay people."

Not all of the books on the Spring List are covered here, and the Fall 1960 List is the longest in the history of the Board. The Board of Publication is expanding its services in other directions. A new store was opened in Harrisburg, Pa. on October 27, 1959, and others are planned in 1960; in September 1959 the Board leased 10,000 square feet of space and set up a wood shop where fine woodcarving and cabinet work can be done.

B. Books appearing over the past year from other publication houses, which may be called to your attention, are:

John Bright, A HISTORY OF ISRAEL, Abingdon; one of the most significant books ever written by an American in the Old Testament field.

Oscar Cullmann, THE CHRISTOLOGY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, Westminster; a translation.

Jaroslav Pelikan, THE RIDDLE OF ROMAN CATHOLICISM, Abingdon; winner of the Abingdon Award.

Jaroslav Pelikan, LUTHER THE EXPOSITOR — Companion Volume to LUTHER'S WORKS, Concordia.

Karl Barth, *FROM ROUSSEAU TO RITSCHL*, SCM Press; translation of eleven chapters of *DIE PROTESTANTISCHE THEOLOGIE IM 19. JAHRHUNDERT*.

Two important works formerly unavailable, now reprinted in paperback by Augsburg Publishing House, are:

A. Koberle, THE QUEST FOR HOLINESS

G. Forell, FAITH ACTIVE IN LOVE.

Catalogs and further information may be obtained from Muhlenberg Press in Philadelphia, or your nearest ULPH store.

Respectfully submitted,
Wesley J. Fuerst, chairman.

The Report of the Committee on Pensions was presented by Pastor Karl H. Konig.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS

Your Committee passes on information received from Pension Headquarters:

1. During 1959, 213 members joined the Contributary Pension Plan. The active membership totals 3,497.

2. During 1959, 281 members joined the Family Protection Plan. The active membership totals 3,117.

3. The Family Protection Plan is now in its tenth year of operation. To date benefits totaling $239,500 have been paid to the beneficiaries of 97 members.

4. The year 1959 witnessed the retirement of 44 ministers from active service at an average age of 68 years 10 months and 4 days.

5. The Board of Pensions is continuing its study of the advisability of the Church putting into effect a Church-wide Hospitalization Plan for Ministers and Lay Employees. A report will be made to the 1960 ULCA Convention.

6. As of December 31, 1959 the number on the pension roll included:

Retired Ministers	492
Retired Missionaries	17
Disabled Ministers	69
Widows	763
Children	100

7. Members of Central States Synod on pension roll:

Retired Ministers	24
Retired Missionaries	2
Disabled Ministers	4
Widows	34
Children	13

Respectfully submitted,
Karl Konig, Chairman.
William Saas
P. O. Anderson
George Woodward
Glenn Erickson
Clifford Kittelson

The Report of the Editor of "Central States Lutheran" was presented by Pastor Robert Shirck.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF "CENTRAL STATES LUTHERAN"

The **Central States Lutheran** has been published regularly during the past year. Approximately 28,000 copies of each issue are printed and distributed monthly.

The Luther League requested, and received, space in each issue for their own use. The United Lutheran Church Women continue to use one page, monthly, for items of particular interest to their organization. Special features have been those on the mission work within the Synod, the stories of the missionaries from this territory.

Pastors and congregations are again urged to keep their mailing lists up to date, adding and deleting names from their own congregations as needed. In addition, it should be mentioned that well-written stories of activities and accomplishments of each congregation are eagerly sought.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert E. Shirck, Editor

The Report of the Committee on Circulation of "The Lutheran" was presented by Pastor Robert E. Karsten.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CIRCULATION OF "THE LUTHERAN"

The circulation department of "The Lutheran" continues to handle promotional helps for the ULCA weekly news magazine. Order cards for promotional material were included in the August 1959 number of the Pastor's Desk Book together with samples of all material available. The function of your committee has been simply one of encouraging the pastors to make use of what "The Lutheran" provides.

Three synod-wide mailing were made. The first was to remind our pastors of the availability of promotional material, the second, a personal letter from your chairman to each pastor, reminding him of the renewal date for his congregation, and the third, a letter urging pastors to put newly received members on the mailing list. The members of the committee presented the facts about the "Congregational Plan" at the fall meetings of their respective conferences. The committee members were the following Pastors: Lester Lamm; Henry Trawny; David Samuelson; Paul L. Miller; Roger Gieschen. The expenses of the committee are paid by "The Lutheran".

There were 24 100% congregations in 1959, an increase of three. During 1959, 5607 of our families received "The Lutheran". The subscriptions received thus far for 1960 indicate that we will show an increase of about 600, or 11%. Such an increase is encouraging, to be sure. However, even with it, less than half of our Central States families will be receiving "The Lutheran". Your chairman feels that our magazine could be used more widely in our congregations as a means of increasing the general churchmanship of our people.

Robert E. Karsten, Chairman

The Report of the Necrologist was presented by Dr. Arthur Pinkall.

REPORT OF NECROLOGIST

REV. JOHN N. MARXEN

The Rev. John N. Marxen, 79, passed from this life, June 9, 1959, at his home, 3903 14th St., Columbus, Nebraska.

He was born January 16, 1880, at Ketelsby, Schleswig-Holstein. He attended public schools in Germany. He received his training for the ministry at the Western Theological Seminary in Atchison, Kansas, having come to the United States in 1904. He was ordained September 23, 1906 at Wisner, Nebraska. He served churches in the following communities: Shattuck, Okla.; Beloit, Kansas; Russell, Kansas; Hastings, Nebraska; Rockport, Mo.; Scribner, Nebraska; Columbus (St. John's, Shell Creek); Blue Hill, Nebraska; Linn, Kansas. After retiring in 1955 he made his home in Columbus, Nebraska and became a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

His marriage to Emma Baade took place May 4, 1910 at Enid, Oklahoma, and she survives him.

Also surviving are their six children, John Marxen and Mrs. Harold Dawson of Russell, Kansas; Mrs. George Havekost of West Point, Nebraska; Mrs. Clark Speetzen of Falls Church, Va.; Mrs. Raymond Klug and Paul Marxen of Columbus, Nebraska; 12 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren; three brothers, the Rev. H. A. Marxen, August and John Marxen, all of Schleswig-Holstein, Germany.

Funeral services were held June 12, 1959, at the Gass Funeral chapel and at 4:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. J. N. Slice, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Roselawn Memorial cemetery.

MRS. GERTRUDE KLIEVES FREDERICK

Mrs. Gertrude Klieves Frederick, was born August 20, 1877, at Washington, Pa. She was united in marriage to the Rev. Dr. Paul W. F. Frederick on May 10, 1898, in Washington, Pa. She passed away on June 20, 1959 at Fremont, Nebraska.

Final rites were held Tuesday, June 23, 1959 at Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont, Nebraska. Rev. Dr. Frederick D. Bolt, Rev. Dr. Alfred W. Young, Rev. Dr. E. B. Keisler officiated at the services. Burial was in the Memorial Cemetery, Fremont, Nebraska.

Pallbearers were, Dr. Thos. D. Rinde, Dr. Gerhard Gieschen, Dr. Edward Mattson, Rev. Albert Shandrick, Dr. Wesley J. Fuerst, Dr. Wilhelm C. Linss.

MRS. SARA RUBY KAUFFMAN

Mrs. Sarah Ruby Kauffman, was born January 18, 1873, at Mount Vernon, Ohio. She was united in marriage to the Rev. S. S. Kauffman, D.D. who served as a United Lutheran Pastor for many years. Her husband's last parish was First Lutheran Church, of Tulsa, Oklahoma. He passed away at Tulsa in 1926. Mrs. Kauffman continued to make her home in Tulsa with her family and was active in the affairs of the First Lutheran Church. She came to Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebraska as a guest in 1951. She passed to the church triumphant at the Lincoln General Hospital, on October 20, 1959, at Lincoln, Nebraska. The funeral service was held at the Tabitha Home Chapel with the chaplain the Rev. Robert E. Gaston officiating. Burial was at Plymouth, Ohio. Surviving are her son Mr. Carl R. Kauffman of Tulsa, Oklahoma and Miss Katheryn Kauffman, a daughter of Ponca City, Oklahoma.

THE REV. J. B. RUPLEY, D.D.

Rev. John B. Rupley, 68, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Dalton the past eight years, died Wednesday evening, January 13, 1960 of a heart attack, suffered early that morning.

The body lay in state Saturday, January 16 at Trinity Lutheran Church from 10 a.m. until time for the funeral service at 2 p.m. The Rev. T. J. Schuldt D.D. of Oshkosh, and the Rev. Henry Monnich, of Sidney, officiated.

Pallbearers were members of the Church Council, Clarence Ziegler, Carl Schmidt, Samuel Michal, Laurence Miller, Herbert Fecht and Haroldean Bregren.

Final rites were held Tuesday, January 19 at St. Thomas Lutheran Church in Charles Town, W. Va., and burial was in the cemetery there.

John Benjamin Rupley was born July 21, 1891, at Catawissa, Pa., a son of Daniel E. and Amelia Grable Rupley.

Rev. Rupley had served pastorates at Boonsboro, Md., Washington D.C., Westminister, Md., Baltimore, Md., and Grand Island, Neb., where he spent 11 years before moving to Dalton.

For ten years he served as secretary of the Maryland Synod, was Secretary of the Home and Foreign Missionary Board for ten years and served 2 terms as a member of the board of directors of Midland College at Fremont, Nebraska. He was an active member of the Dalton Lion's Club.

He was married October 11, 1916, at Charles Town, to Etheleen Weller, who survives him.

Also surviving are two sons, the Rev. John B. Rupley Jr., of El Paso, Tex., and the Rev. Kendig Weller Rupley, of Omaha; five grandchildren and four sisters, Mrs. Nellie Bergstresser, of Anna Maria, Fla., Mrs. Effie Kulp, of Perkasie, Pa., Mrs. Grace Hesse, of Arlington, Va., and Mrs. Ruth Settle, of Baltimore, Md.

THE REV. E. G. WOOD D.D.

The Rev. E. G. Wood was born May 4, 1903, in Omaha, Nebraska. He attended Central High School and after graduation came to Midland College and graduated in 1926. He attended Western Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska, receiving his bachelor of divinity in 1929. The doctor of divinity degree was conferred upon him in 1945. In 1929, he went to India as a missionary of the United Lutheran Church and has served there since. He returned to Fremont in July, 1959, and planned to return to India in August, 1960.

He married Dorothea Kruger on September 27, 1929. Her father was a former president of Midland College.

Survivors include the widow; three daughters, Mrs. John Nelson and Mrs. Robert Kocher, both of Petaling Jaya, Malaya, and Pat, at home; six grandchildren, parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Wood of Fremont; brother, Dr. H. J. Wood of Pullman, Washington, and a sister, Mrs. M. Turnbull of Youngstown, Ohio.

Dr. Wood passed away January 15, 1960, at the age of 56. Funeral services were held at Fremont, Nebraska on January 18, 1960, conducted by Dr. F. D. Boldt and Dr. J. F. Newdoerffer of the Board of Foreign Missions. Burial was in the Memorial Cemetery, Fremont, Nebraska.

THE REV. PAUL F. K. KUEHNER

The Rev. Paul Franz Karl Kuehner was born in a Lutheran parsonage at Random Lake, Wisconsin to the Rev. and Mrs. Conrad Kuehner on May 31st, 1893. He was the 6th child in a family of 11 children. Having completed normal school training he taught public school in South Dakota 1 year, and parochial school near Niagara Falls, New York for 3 years. On October 16th, 1930 he and

Elna Peterson were united in Holy Matrimony. To this union two daughters were born, Maria and Elna.

The Rev. Mr. Kuehner was a graduate of the Buffalo Seminary in Buffalo, New York and was ordained in the Buffalo Synod Lutheran Church in March of 1923. In the same year he was ordained into the Gospel Ministry at Trinity Lutheran Church in Cedarburg, Wisconsin and became pastor of his first church at Unionville, Michigan. During his 37 years in the service of His Lord and His Church Pastor Kuehner also served parishes in Texas, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska. He came to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Diller, Nebraska in December of 1951 and retired there at the end of 1958. Since then he and his wife have made their home in Diller, and he served as supply pastor at Grace Lutheran Church, Ohiowa, Nebraska until his death Friday evening, April 8, 1960. Pastor Kuehner had also served as editor of the Texas and Midwest Synod Publications.

Surviving him are his wife, Elna, of Diller, Nebraska; two daughters: Maria, Mrs. Mark Lindberg of Mound, Minnesota; and Elna, Mrs. James Young, of Lincoln; Three sisters: Mrs. Anna B. Ungvary, of Denver, Colorado; Miss Emily Kuehner and Miss Beata Kuehner both of Cedarburg Wisconsin; Two brothers; Herman of Cedarburg, Wisconsin; and The Rev. Theodore (now retired) of Clearwater, Minnesota; and four grandchildren. Preceding him in death were his parents, 3 brothers and 2 sisters.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. Pinkall, Necrologist

A motion prevailed that the Executive Committee be authorized to make arrangements for recognition of anniversaries of ordination at the meeting of synod.

The Report of the Achivist was presented by Dr. A. B. Lentz.

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVIST

Grace and Peace!

Cataloguing, classifying, and filing of material is being continued. The biographical cardfile of the present clerical membership is kept up-to-date and additional entries are being made to the historical cardfile whenever possible. Upon their request information has been given to individuals and to pastors and congregations for anniversaries and anniversary booklets.

Copies of the 1959 minutes have been sent to the Nebraska State Historical Society, the Kansas State Historical Society, and to Concordia Historical Institute.

Last year, at the request of the President of Synod, your Archivist wrote an article on the Central States Synod and its antecedents for the "Lutheran Encyclopedia" sponsored by the Lutheran World Federation, which is to be published in 1962.

Four, letter size, four drawer, second hand steel files were purchased for the Archives at a total cost of $52.00.

Supplementary microfilms of the minutes of the former Kansas, Nebraska, and Midwest Synods were made (pages that had been missed in the first microfilming) at no cost to Synod. The Recordak Company of Omaha made good on their promise to give efficient

and satisfactory service. Supplementary reels were mailed to all purchasers of the microfilms without charge.

In accordance with recommendation No. 2, page 120 of the 1959 minutes, copies of the book "Story of the Midwest Synod" were sent to each of the seminaries, listed in the "Lutheran Church Directory for the United States and Canada, 1959 (pages 14-15; total number: 23), and to each of the colleges, listed in the above mentioned Directory (pages 16-17; total number: 33), and to the Kansas and Nebraska State Historical Societies, and to the Concordia Historical Institute. Total cost of packaging and mailing $12.

RECEIVED AND ENTERED INTO THE ARCHIVES:

Anniversary booklet of St. Peter's congregation, Creston, Nebraska. 75th anniversary folder, two cuts, of the St. John's church at Bendana, Kansas; Also constitution of the congregation and constitutions of the Luther League and of the United Lutheran Church Women, 1958-1959.

Constitution and By-laws of Faith Lutheran church, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dedication services for new church furniture, held in United Lutheran church, Scribner, Nebraska.

Dedication booklets of the new First Lutheran church at Nebraska City, Nebraska.

Building plans for St. John's church at Bennington, Nebraska.

History of Children's Memorial Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Missouri from Rev. Calvin Naugle.

Copies of documents concerning Merger of Scherer Memorial (ULCA) Lutheran church at Chapman, Kansas, and Bethlehem Lutheran church (Aug) at Chapman, Kansas, from Rev. Kenneth Strecker.

Copy of photograph of Pastor Wm. Hoffman; original photo returned to Mr. Cuthbert Miller, Davenport, Nebraska. Copy was made by Rev. Robert Shirk.

Some entries from an old, lost Parish Register, of Christ Lutheran church, Louisville, Nebraska, from Mrs. M. Gering, Omaha.

Glass paper weight with picture of McCool Junction, Nebraska, church and also picture of Rev. H. A. Wolfe, received from Charles A. Kaliff, McCool Junction, Nebraska.

In return for the complimentary copy of the "Story of the Midwest Synod", the Pittsburgh Synod Archivist, sent a complimentary copy of the first volume, titled: "Congregational Histories of the Pittsburgh Synod", published 1959. The second volume, on the synodical history is also promised, whenever it is published. For the same reason, Joel Lundeen, Historian and Archivist of the Augustana Synod, at Rock Island, Illinois, sent 3 books: "Lindsborg" by Bergin;" "Nebraska Conference of Augustana Synod" by Sandahl; "70th Anniversary booklet of the Nebraska Conference of the Augustana Synod".

RECOMMENDATION:

Be it recommended, that,

in view of the coming merger of the United Lutheran Church with the Augustana Synod, the American Evangelical Lutheran Church, and the Suomi Synod, and

in view of the proposed territorial division into the Nebraska Synod and the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, in the above-mentioned projected merger, that

A request for temporary retention of the materials in the Archives, for the purpose of making possible the publishing of a centennial history, be made to the merging convention.

Respectfully submitted
A. B. Lentz, Archivist

A motion that the recommendation be referred to the Executive Committee for revision was lost.

A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation as amended.

A motion prevailed that the Executive Committee be instructed, in consultation with the Commitee on History, to include in their study of recommendation No. 2 of the Committee on History not only the matter of financing, but also the matter of publishing referred to in recommendation No. 1 of the Committee on History. It is suggested that emphasis be placed on publishing a history and not on the number, type or form of book or books.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Pastor R. R. Pfeiffer.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved: That we thank Almighty God for the Church through which He has called us by the Holy Gospel, and redeemed us by the gift of His precious Son, Jesus Christ.

Be it resolved: That we gratefully express our thanks to First Lutheran Church, the Pastor, The Rev. Vernon F. Jacobs, for their friendly and cordial hospitality manifest in seeing to all of our needs, to satisfy our bodily wants, and that the Pastor convey this resolution to the church council, and to all auxiliaries and personnel of the congregation.

Be it resolved: That we express our appreciation to each officer of the Synod, to President Young, for his gracious understanding in shepherding the congregations and pastors and for the administration of all the affairs of the church; to Pastor R. R. Frobenius, Assistant to the President, for his vigorous mission endeavors; to Secretary Welchert for so efficiently keeping records of the minutes of convention; to Treasurer Paul H. Palmquist for the manner in which he has administered with integrity the dedicated offerings for the Kingdom of our Lord; to Statistician Charles Harkness, Jr., for his comprehensive report of the congregations; and to all aids to the officers of synod.

Be it resolved: That we thank God for the faithful labors of the Executive Committees of our Synod Auxiliaries and Institutions within Synod and commend their devoted efforts.

Be it resolved: That we indeed counted it a privilege to have had The Rev. N. Everett Hedeen, D.D., President of the West Central Conference of the Augustana Lutheran Church, for the timely message at the service of communion; to The Rev. Merle Moebus for his thoughtful and inspirational messages and prayers, as Chaplain of Synod.

Be it resolved: That we express deep appreciation to The Rev. J. F. Neudoerffer and to the missionary panel, Miss Myrtle Wilke, Miss Helene Harder, Mrs. E. G. Wood, The Rev. Conrad Schmitz, The Rev. Lorin Wolff, The Rev. Wallace Wolff, and Mr. Roland Hansen, for so graphically presenting missions around the world.

Be it resolved: That to the following persons we express gratitude for their witness in presenting the causes of the Church; The Rev. John W. Rilling, ULCA representative; to The Rev. John N. Slice for his inspiring message at the Ordination Service; to The Rev. A. H. Pinkall for his message of comfort and hope in memory of the servants of the Lord; to Mr. John Berger of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, for his personal challenge in Stewardship.

Be it resolved: That in the light of the most generous assistance to the mission program of Synod by the various divisions of the Board of American Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America, that we convey to the Board our sincere gratitude through the Rev. Donald L. Houser, D.D., and that the Synod Secretary convey such resolution to him.

Be it resolved: That the Executive Committee of Synod be directed to plan an improved method of balloting for elections in order that the tellers may be able to be present in the sessions of Synod.

Whereas: Dr. Paul C. Empie, Executive Director of the National Lutheran Council, at the synodical banquet, revealed the strained world-wide relations and the urgent need of witnessing to the Gospel of our Lord;

Be it resolved: That the Executive Committee of Synod be directed to convey to Dr. Empie our gratitude for his stirring message and our pledge of hearty support. We feel that the publication of his message would enlighten and stimulate the whole church.

Be it resolved: That the young men ordained to the Gospel Ministry be heartily commended to the Lord through our prayers, that He keep them under the guidance

and strength of the Holy Spirit, which will make theirs a fruitful ministry.

A motion prevailed to adopt the resolutions.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE

Registration showed 167 pastors, 110 delegates, 7 missionaries, and 85 visitors attending the convention.

The following were excused for being absent: Pastors Theodore Kuehner, H. J. Brede, Frederick Boldt, G. F. Duhrkop, Paul Wiegman, Charles Murnan, R. M. Sauberzweig, G. J. Herber, Edwin Bastian, J. A. Bahnsen, Gustav Wiencke, Fred W. Kern, Allan Hauck, L. C. Weitzenkamp, Arthur E. Schmidt, Max H. Geissler, and Paul L. Miller.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel reported.

A motion prevailed that any items of unfinished business of the convention be referred to the Executive Committee for action, along with the approval of the minutes of the last session.

The Report of the Committee on Convention Travel was given by Mr. John Langmacher.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

The Committee on Elections certifies that the following have been elected by the 92nd Annual Convention of the Central States Synod to their respective positions:

Secretary—The Rev. Hugo H. F. Welchert

Treasurer—Mr. Paul Palmquist

Executive Committee

Mr. Jack Bollinger, Kansas City, Missouri (1961)
Mr. Paul Buskirk, Hutchinson, Kansas (1963)
Mr. Walter Hansen, Stillwater, Oklahoma (1963)
The Rev. Paul de Freese, Hastings, Nebraska (1963)
The Rev. Ernest Tonsing, D.D., Topeka, Kansas (1963)

Committee on Home Missions

The Rev. Calvin J. Naugle, D.D., Kansas City, Missouri (1963)
The Rev. Marvin Suhr, North Platte, Nebraska (1963)
Mr. Ray Mann, Wichita, Kansas (1963)
Mr. Joe Jones, Fort Smith, Arkansas (1963)

Tabitha Home Trustees

The Rev. Harold Hamilton, Lawrence, Kansas (1963)
Mr. Irvin Enke, Emerson, Nebraska (1962)
Mr. John Wollmer, Hooper, Nebraska (1963)

Midland College Trustees

The Rev. Grant Van Boening, Hooper, Nebraska (1963)
The Rev. Wm. F. Most, D.D., Prairie Village, Kansas (1963)
Mr. Willam Suhr, Hooper, Nebraska (1963)
Mr. Kermit Wagner, Schuyler, Nebraska (1963)

Central Lutheran Seminary Trustees

The Rev. Walter Rowoldt, Pender, Nebraska (1963)
The Rev. Heinz Ritzen, Ralston, Nebraska (1963)

Mr. Marius Christensen, Sidney, Nebraska (1963)
Mr. Herman Langholz, Russell, Kansas (1963)

Nebraska Lutheran Social Service

The Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, D.D., South Sioux City, Nebraska (1963)
Mr. Ben Furrow, Omaha, Nebraska (1963)

Examining Committee

The Rev. Claudius Jensen, Omaha, Nebraska (1963)
The Rev. Norman Schroeder, Lodge Pole, Nebraska (1963)
The Rev. Walter H. Moeller, D.D., Salina, Kansas (1963)

ULCA DELEGATES

(Primary)

Clerical	Lay
Alfred W. Young	Al Borcherding
Martin Ashley	William Harms
Vernon Jacobs	William Hasebroock
Walter Rowoldt	William Hogrefe
Martin Schroeder	Garman Kimmell
Lester Utz	Walter Kuenning
Hugo Welchert	Paul Palmquist
Lorin Wolff	Marvin Barnett
Paul de Freese	William Suhr
Reno Frobenius	Walter Gengenbach
Ernest Tonsing	Elmer Sasse
Harold Hamilton	Ralph Dumler
Leland Lesher	Clinton Von Seggern
Calvin Naugle	Merlin Brei
William Most	Paul Buskirk
Grant Van Boening	John Langmacher

(Alternates)

Clerical	Lay
Wesley Fuerst	Austin Sanborn
Arthur Pinkall	Jack Bollinger
Norman Schroeder	Albert Hansen
Marvin Suhr	Everett Carlson
Harlan Brei	Jack Marten
John Slice	Edgar Karsten
Ed W. Amend	David Snyder
George Eller	Elden Johnson
John Rinde	William Holstad
A. B. J. Lentz	Donald Raymond
T. J. C. Schuldt	Wilber Weddingfeldt
George Krebs	Marius Christensen
Vernon Hintermeyer	Ernest Oeltjen
Royce Scherf	Emil Sudman
Hugo Rathkamp	Albert Hayden
Paul Rowoldt	Henry Weinstein

The convention adjourned and was closed by the President with the Order for the Closing of Synod.

Hugo H. F. Welchert, Secretary

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Hampton, Emmanuel	994	85
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Johnson, St. Matthew	3,551	303
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Lincoln, United	4,655	397
Lincoln, Zion	2,502	214
Louisville, Christ	2,226	190
McCool Junction, First	2,079	177
Nebraska City, First	4,103	350
Ohiowa, Grace	1,380	118
Ohiowa, St. John	3,901	333
Omaha, First English	7,010	598
Omaha, Grace	7,581	647
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	37,941	3,237
Omaha, Luther Memorial	10,635	907
Omaha, Morning Star	4,545	388
Omaha, Our Redeemer	10,838	925
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Papillion, Trinity	3,809	325
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Sutton, Zion	1,104	94
Syracuse, First	460	39
Valley, St. Mark	1,509	129
Verdon, St. Mark	2,134	182
Walton, Grace	828	71
Wilber, First	3,919	334
Wolbach, Trinity	5,520	471
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South Sioux City, First	7,802	666
Spencer, United	2,061	176
Stanton, St. Luke	1,454	124
Tekamah, Emmanuel	5,686	485
Uehling, St. Paul	1,730	148
Vacoma, St. John	239	20
Wayne, Redeemer	11,058	944
Wayne, St. Paul	7,562	645
West Point, Grace	9,826	838
Winside, Trinity	2,797	239
Wisner, Christ	4,618	394

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NEBRASKA

Alliance, St. John United	4,618	394
Blue Hill, St. Paul	3,073	262
Broadwater, Messiah	1,914	163
Broken Bow, Our Saviour	994	85
Chappell, Grace	975	83
Dalton, Trinity	2,447	209
Glenvil, St. Paul	1,914	163
Gothenburg, Zion	2,226	190
Grand Island, Messiah	11,095	947
Gurley, Grace	2,263	193
Hastings, First St. Paul	22,135	1,889
Hastings, Immanuel	1,214	104
Hastings, St. Paul	2,558	218
Hildreth, St. Peter	4,858	414
Lewellen, Grace	1,895	162
Lodgepole, Immanuel	2,907	248
North Platte, First	18,584	1,586
Oshkosh, St. Mark	3,146	268
Paxton, Trinity	4,306	367
Potter, First	2,024	173
Sidney, Holy Trinity	7,746	661
Stamford, Trinity	2,245	192
Sutherland, Grace	1,435	122

SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE

KANSAS

Atchison, St. Mark	5,391	460
Bendena, St. John	4,048	345
Bethel, Prince of Peace	1,840	157
Kansas City, Trinity	4,342	371
Lancaster, St. John	2,852	243
Lawrence, Trinity	9,844	840

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Prairie Village, Faith	9,016	769
Topeka, First	5,833	498
Valley Falls, St. Paul	1,509	129
MISSOURI		
Cole Camp, United	1,527	130
Columbia, St. Andrew	2,447	209
Kansas City, Bethlehem United	3,809	325
Kansas City, Children's Memorial	5,612	479
Kansas City, Holy Shepherd	920	79
Kansas City, Reformation	2,042	174
Kansas City, St. Mark	11,739	1,002
Lee's Summit, Martin Luther	1,546	132
Liberty, St. Andrew	1,325	113
Parkville, Gloria Dei	1,141	97
Raytown, Blue Ridge Trinity	4,582	391
Raytown, Christ the King	920	79
St. Joseph, First English	10,395	884
Sedalia, Trinity	2,208	188
Springfield, Messiah	1,472	126
Sunrise Beach, Kent Memorial	1,822	155

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

ARKANSAS		
Fort Smith, St. Luke	2,686	229
Hot Springs, Prince of Peace	736	63
Little Rock, Faith	1,104	94
OKLAHOMA		
Durant, Our Saviour	846	72
Lawton, Emmanuel	920	79
Midwest City, St. Mark	1,454	124
Oklahoma City, First	5,520	471
Oklahoma City, Our Lord's	1,086	93
Perry, Zion	2,613	223
Stillwater, Salem	2,466	210
Tulsa, Ascension	2,686	229
Tulsa, First	9,568	816
TEXAS		
Darrouzett, St. Paul	1,306	111
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	Arkansas																		
1	Fort Smith	St. Luke	S	1959	3420 Rogers Ave., Fort Smith, Ark.	Sebastian	2	Vacant	E	200	19	—	170	4	—	140	—	27	1
2	Hot Springs*	Prince of Peace	S	1959	111 Hubson Ave., Hot Springs, Ark.	Garland	2	Norman J. Hansen	E	90	90	—	60	60	—	55	55	—	2
3	Little Rock*	Faith	S	1959	4942 W. Markham, Little Rock, Ark.	Pulaski	1	Clarence W. Rhode	E	84	84	—	60	60	—	60	60	—	3
	Iowa																		
4	Northboro	St. Paul	C	1962	7 Mi. W. Northboro, Iowa	Fremont	6	C. H. Goede	E	117	2	—	110	2	—	90	—	—	4
	Kansas																		
5	Abilene	Trinity	SW	1870	4th & Cedar Sts., Abilene, Kans.	Dickinson	4	Fuller Bergstresser, D.D.	E	300	18	—	260	12	—	250	9	—	5
6	Atchison	St. Mark	SE	1868	400 S. Sixth St., Atchison, Kans.	Atchison	2	George L. Search	E	711	9	—	520	—	2	300	—	21	6
7	Beloit	Zion	SW	1880	7th and Mill Sts., Beloit, Kans.	Mitchell	4	George W. Eiler	E	450	—	12	391	—	11	340	—	12	7
8	Bendena	St. John	SE	1913	Bendena, Kans.	Doniphan	6	Carl C. Nuebel	E	307	—	15	270	—	4	230	2	—	8
9	Bethel	Prince of Peace	SE	1957	2219 N. 70th Terr., Bethel, Kans.	Wyandotte	4	Donald C. Gates	E	150	—	40	113	—	16	100	—	21	9
10	Chapman	Scherer Memorial	SW	1880	5th & Broadway, Chapman, Kans.	Dickinson	6	Kenneth E. Strecker	E	271	—	10	130	—	15	123	5	—	10
11	Ellis	Christ	SW	1907	Ellis, Kansas	Ellis	3	J. Franklin Shirck	E	543	11	—	300	—	1	303	—	24	11
12	Emporia	St. Mark	SW	1884	7th Ave. & Constitution St., Emporia, Kans.	Lyon	3	Sherman E. Frederick	E	561	—	—	250	—	9	216	—	16	12
13	Eureka	Christ	SW	1880	319 N. Elm St., Eureka, Kans.	Greenwood	4	Eugene L. Smith	E	341	16	—	274	4	—	304	11	—	13
14	Glasco	St. Paul	SW	1876	Glasco, Kans.	Cloud	5	W. Merle Meebus	E	264	—	9	195	—	4	177	10	—	14
15	Great Bend	St. Mark	SW	1962	21st and Jackson Sts., Great Bend, Kans.	Barton	3	V. R. Schomaver	E	321	3	—	185	—	4	165	—	10	15
16	Greenleaf	Trinity	SW	1882	Greenleaf, Kans.	Washington	5	Vacant	E	120	—	4	100	—	4	88	—	4	16
17	Hanover	Zion	SW	1874	Kansas Ave. & Church St., Hanover, Kans.	Washington	5	P. O. Anderson	E	250	—	—	250	—	7	243	—	15	17
18	Hays	Trinity	SW	1876	13th & Fort Sts., Hays, Kans.	Ellis	3	Harry B. Hull	E	363	9	—	367	13	—	195	3	—	18
19	Hayesville*	Resurrection	SW	1959	W. Grand & German, Hayesville, Kans.	Sedgwick	4	Leo R. Nielsen	E	155	155	—	73	73	—	97	97	—	19
20	Hoisington	Emmanuel	SW	1954	230 E. 5th St., Hoisington, Kansas	Barton	4	David H. Santuelson	E	332	—	32	223	—	34	142	—	3	20
21	Hollenberg	Redeemer	SW	1956	Hollenberg, Kans.	Washington	6	O. E. Hibbeler (S)	E	54	—	14	36	—	9	30	—	6	21
22	Home	Friedens	SW	1885	Home, Kansas	Marshall	3	Vacant	E	183	6	—	111	—	—	70	—	—	22
23	Hutchinson	Zion	SW	1886	1017 N. Washington, Hutchinson, Kans.	Reno	2	Arthur L. Angersbach	E	360	5	—	250	5	—	300	5	—	23
24	Kansas City	Trinity	SE	1902	601 N. 17th St., Kansas City, Kans.	Wyandotte	1	Vacant	E	420	1	—	310	—	6	230	—	6	24
25	Lancaster	St. John	SE	1906	Lancaster, Kans.	Atchison	6	Richard D. Dunning	E	254	13	—	157	6	—	155	16	—	25
26	Lawrence	Trinity	SE	1867	13th & New Hampshire Sts., Lawrence, Kans.	Douglas	3	Harold E. Hamilton	E	1219	16	—	876	7	—	535	11	—	26
27	Linn	St. Paul	SW	1916	Linn, Kans.	Washington	5	Carl R. Schneider	E	133	—	—	105	5	—	85	—	—	27
28	Mentor	St. Paul	SW	1874	6½ Mi. E., Mentor, Kans.	Saline	6	Vacant	E	154	—	2	100	—	3	43	—	3	28
29	New Cambria	Peace	SW	1875	New Cambria, Kans.	Saline	6	Vacant	E	141	—	—	65	3	—	36	3	—	29
30	Norcatur	St. Mark	SW	1888	Norcatur, Kans.	Decatur	6	Alvin Zeilinger (S)	E	69	—	1	27	2	—	17	2	—	30
31	Peabody	St. Paul	SW	1877	Sycamore & Division Sts., Peabody, Kans.	Marion	5	K. DeFreese, D.D.	E	341	14	—	248	5	—	100	—	2	31
32	Perth	St. James	SW	1887	Perth, Kans.	Sumner	6	Arthur Jervis (S)	E	27	—	2	10	—	2	12	—	2	32
33	Prairie Village	Faith	SE	1950	67th St. & Roe Ave., Prairie Village, Kans.	Johnson	3	W. F. Most, D.D.	E	800	6	—	527	2	—	480	6	—	33
34	Russell	St. John	SW	1900	5th Main Sts., Russell, Kans.	Russell	4	Otto A. Matthias	EG	1356	4	—	970	—	5	652	12	—	34
35	Russell	Trinity	SW	1877	12 Mi. S. Russell, Kans.	Russell	6	Henry Vorreth	EG	183	17	—	120	10	—	100	—	2	35
36	Salina	St. John	SW	1873	302 S. 7th St., Salina, Kans.	Saline	2	Walter H. Moeller, D.D.	E	1180	—	100	884	5	—	662	3	—	36
37	Topeka	First	SE	1867	434 Harrison St., Topeka, Kans.	Shawnee	1	Ernest F. Tonsing, D.D.	E	715	17	—	497	—	5	317	—	—	37
38	Valley Falls	St. Paul	SE	1857	Valley Falls, Kans.	Jefferson	5	F. Waldorf Lau	E	154	15	—	107	5	—	82	4	—	38

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39	Wakeeney	Bethlehem	SW	1905	Easter Ave. & N. 7th St., Wakeeney, Kans.	Trego	4	Edwin J. Hirsch	E	756	15	.....	654	1	.....	176	1	.....	39
40	Wakeeney	Zion	SW	1905	US 283, 9 Mi. S. Wakeeney, Kans.	Trego	6	Max H. Geissler	EG	214	.....	1	173	.....	5	134	.....	6	40
41	Washington	Good Shepherd	SW	1949	4th & D Sts., Washington, Kans.	Washington	5	James L. Seiffert	E	327	44	.....	250	56	.....	213	27	.....	41
42	Waterville	St. Mark	SW	1871	Waterville, Kans.	Marshall	5	James T. Grant	E	424	2	.....	352	.....	4	305	97	.....	42
43	Wellington	St. John	SW	1888	324 N. Jefferson St., Wellington, Kans.	Sumner	4	Harvey J. Sindahl, Jr.	E	374	77	.....	223	58	.....	303	52	.....	43
44	Wichita	Reformation	SW	1952	6909 E. Kellogg St., Wichita, Kans.	Sedgwick	1	Lester M. Utz	E	605	21	.....	247	.....	9	172	.....	2	44
45	Wichita	St. Paul	SW	1909	925 N. Waco, Wichita, Kans.	Sedgwick	1	Ivan G. Mattern	E	1306	.....	106	772	.....	307	725	.....	72	45
46	Wilson	Excelsior	SW	1886	7 Mi. E., 1 Mi. N., Wilson, Kans.	Ellsworth	6	Vacant	E	164	.....	3	86	.....	2	43	.....	1	46
	Missouri																		
47	Cole Camp	United	SE	1927	Cole Camp, Mo.	Benton	3	Vacant	E	182	5	.....	120	.....	4	83	.....	17	47
48	Columbia	St. Andrew	SE	1956	703 N. Garth (Temporary) Columbia, Mo.	Boone	2	Morris J. Niedenthal	E	227	43	.....	136	20	.....	133	20	.....	48
49	Kansas City	Bethlehem United	SE	1948	1104 Vivian Rd., Kansas City, Mo.	Clay	1	Robert L. Lesher	E	602	.....	31	327	.....	19	327	.....	47	49
50	Kansas City	Children's Memorial	SE	1884	5001 Independence Ave., Kansas City, Mo.	Jackson	1	Calvin J. Naugle, D.D.	E	670	.....	2	403	.....	.....	305	3	.....	50
51	Kansas City	Reformation	SE	1955	8130 Holmes Rd., Kansas City, Mo.	Jackson	1	Robert D. Hamilton	E	394	27	.....	133	21	.....	111	21	.....	51
52	Kansas City	St. Mark	SE	1867	3600 Troost Ave., Kansas City, Mo.	Jackson	1	Harry R. Allen	E	1082	30	.....	910	9	.....	450	.....	30	52
53	Langdon	St. Peter	C	1871	Langdon, Mo.	Atchison	6	Harvey H. Berenhardt	E	303	.....	1	151	.....	2	81	.....	11	53
54	Lee's Summit	Martin Luther	SE	1955	US 50 & Ward Rd., Lee's Summit, Mo.	Jackson	4	John K. Shirck	E	144	10	.....	85	13	.....	84	15	.....	54
55	Raytown	Blue Ridge Trinity	SE	1953	9757 Blue Ridge Blvd., Raytown, Mo.	Jackson	3	Arthur W. Miller	E	555	16	.....	220	5	.....	240	.....	4	55
56	Rock Port	First	C	1858	Rock Port, Mo.	Atchison	6	Harvey H. Berenhardt	E	490	.....	13	300	.....	12	300	.....	50	56
57	St. Joseph	First English	SE	1894	Tenth & Charles Sts., St. Joseph, Mo.	Buchanan	2	Martin G. Kabele	E	871	42	.....	714	14	.....	300	1	.....	57
58	Sedalia	Trinity	SE	1888	10th & Osage Sts., Sedalia, Mo.	Pettis	2	E. F. Rehlfeld	E	290	.....	6	190	.....	11	130	6	.....	58
59	Springfield*	Messiah	SE	1950	927 E. Seminole, Springfield, Mo.	Greene	1	John Rinda	E	145	145	.....	97	97	.....	90	90	.....	59
60	Sunrise Beach	Kant Memorial	SE	1951	Sunrise Beach, Mo.	Camden	6	Raymond E. Johnson	E	171	.....	21	130	.....	15	80	.....	5	60
61	Westboro	St. John	SE	1888	7 Mi. W., Westboro, Mo.	Atchison	6	Frederick N. Pedersen	E	307	.....	33	300	.....	12	270	30	.....	61
	Nebraska																		
62	Allen	First	NE	1912	Allen, Neb.	Dixon	6	M. B. Simon	E	420	10	.....	350	10	.....	160	77	.....	62
63	Alliance	St. John United	NW	1890	6th & Black Hills Ave., Alliance, Neb.	Box Butte	4	Royce J. Schorf	E	441	.....	60	270	.....	36	351	6	.....	63
64	Amend	Resurrection	NE	1952	Amen, Neb.	Dodge	6	Vacant	E	61	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	37	.....	.....	64
65	Auburn*	St. John	C	1866	4 Mi. W., 4 Mi. S., Auburn, Neb.	Nemaha	6	Carl J. Dettbrich	E	307	.....	18	307	.....	15	180	.....	17	65
66	Auburn	St. Paul	C	1884	21st & O Sts., Auburn, Neb.	Nemaha	4	Hugo M. Rathkamp, Jr.	E	971	34	.....	643	34	.....	600	16	.....	66
67	Beatrice	Trinity United	C	1884	9th & Elm Sts., Beatrice, Neb.	Gage	3	Gustav F. Dobrkop	E	234	.....	7	140	.....	6	130	6	.....	67
68	Bellevue	Immanuel	C	1944	2402 Franklin St., Bellevue, Neb.	Sarpy	4	Paul Koenig	E	355	.....	6	300	7	.....	150	12	.....	68
69	Benedict	Zion	C	1881	Benedict, Neb.	York	6	R. A. Barnell	E	179	.....	5	130	.....	1	115	.....	.....	69
70	Bennington	St. John	C	1889	Bennington, Neb.	Douglas	6	Lorin John Wolff, D.D.	E	600	1	.....	400	6	.....	385	.....	3	70
71	Bloomfield	St. Mark	NE	1890	Bloomfield, Neb.	Knox	5	Clarence J. Hansen	E	773	5	.....	605	8	.....	430	.....	14	71
72	Blue Hill	St. Paul	NW	1888	Blue Hill, Neb.	Webster	5	Vacant	E	300	.....	14	215	.....	11	187	.....	7	72
73	Broadwater	Messiah	NW	1890	Broadwater, Neb.	Morrill	6	Ernest C. Mortensen	E	344	50	.....	133	14	.....	104	.....	14	73
74	Broken Bow	Our Saviour	NW	1885	302 N. 11th Ave., Broken Bow, Neb.	Custer	4	Erich C. Petersen	E	133	40	.....	75	33	.....	84	30	.....	74
75	Chappell	Grace	NW	1941	Chappell, Neb.	Deuel	5	Herman E. Schroeder	E	60	10	.....	60	4	.....	50	9	.....	75
76	Columbus	Good Shepherd	NE	1890	1458 23rd Ave., Columbus, Neb.	Platte	3	Karl Gigstad	E	347	12	.....	150	10	.....	112	7	.....	76
77	Columbus	St. John	NE	1881	10 Mi. N.E. Columbus, Neb.	Platte	4	William H. Sass	E	351	.....	.....	240	.....	4	190	.....	10	77

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78	Columbus	Trinity	NE	1858	2307 11th St., Columbus, Neb.	Platte	3	John H. Sieve	E	1186	105		918	47		677	66		78
79	Creston	St. Peter	NE	1881	Creston, Neb.	Platte	4	W. F. V. Churchill	E	311		5	220		1	132		7	79
80	Dakota City	Salem	NE	1873	Rt. 36, 3 Mi. W., Dakota City, Neb.	Dakota	4	Carl I. Bergman	E	413	17		304	14		252	3		80
81	Dalton	Trinity	NW	1912	Dalton, Neb.	Cheyenne	4	John B. Bagley, D.D.	E	352	9		234	6		120		4	81
82	Davenport	Christ	C	1882	Davenport, Neb.	Thayer	4	Henry Dumler	E	400		5	227		5	205		7	82
83	Diller	St. Paul	C	1888	Diller, Neb.	Jefferson	4	O. R. Hildebrandt	E	400	32		330	18		300	35		83
84	Diller	Zion	SW	1910	1 Mi. E. Hollenberg, Kans.	Washington (Kans.)	4	Henry D. Gittler	E	90	4		63	5		60	8		84
85	Eagle	Trinity	C	1882	Eagle, Neb.	Cass	4	Foster L. Cross	E	50		4	35		4	30			85
86	Emerson	St. Luke	NE	1911	Second & State Sts., Emerson, Neb.	Dixon	5	Stanley D. Sessman	E	774	14		470	3		323	6		86
87	Emerson	St. Paul	NE	1888	Emerson, Neb.	Dixon	5	Daniel C. Schroeder	E	380		9	405			216		3	87
88	Falls City	St. Paul	C	1913	220 W. 20th St., Falls City, Neb.	Richardson	4	Paul L. Miller	E	1020		7	650		4	613		15	88
89	Falls City	St. Peter	C	1860	12 Mi. N.E. Falls City, Neb.	Richardson	4	H. M. Stoderzweig	EG	130	14		88	2		60	2		89
90	Fontanelle	Salem	NE	1880	Rt. 91, 11 Mi. N.E. Fremont, Neb.	Washington	4	Alden C. Baughman, D.D.	E	324	22		221	15		168	4		90
91	Fremont	Salem	NE	1862	401 E. Military, Fremont, Neb.	Dodge	3	Frederick D. Bolsh, D.D.	E	1721	94		1242	38		1000	66		91
92	Ghent	St. Paul	NW	1879	1 Mi. N.W. Ganvil, Neb.	Adams	4	Paul H. Mueller	E	210	10		130	5		104	5		92
93	Gothenburg	Zion	NW	1887	Rt. 47, 4 Mi. N. Gothenburg, Neb.	Dawson	4	Wilfred H. Henning	E	220	1		147		3	121		9	93
94	Grand Island	Messiah	NW	1863	7th & Locust Sts., Grand Island, Neb.	Hall	3	Martin G. Schroeder	E	1037		4	660		1	603	3		94
95	Grand Island	St. Paul English	C	1863	309 W. 2nd St., Grand Island, Neb.	Hall	3	Harvey Clark	E	2512		104	2001		66	1301		100	95
96	Gretna	Resurrection	C	1911	Gretna, Neb.	Sarpy	3	George J. Herber	E	380	18		414	7		272	7		96
97	Gurley	Grace	NW	1916	Gurley, Neb.	Cheyenne	6	Henry Trawny	E	210	4		160	25		123		3	97
98	Hampton	Emmanuel	C	1916	Hampton, Neb.	Hamilton	6	Theo Hansen (R)	E	142		3	87		3	54		3	98
99	Hardy	St. Paul	C	1882	Hardy, Neb.	Nuckolls	6	Henry E. Meyer	E	81		60	64		41	63		4	99
100	Hastings	First St. Paul	NW	1879	501 N. Burlington, Hastings, Neb.	Adams	3	Paul M. DeFreese	E	2240	67		1460	52		1300	55		100
101	Hastings	Immanuel	NW	1888	7¼ Mi. S.W., Hastings, Neb.	Adams	5	Paul H. Mueller	E	80		6	68		8	66		4	101
102	Hastings	St. Paul	NW	1890	New York Ave & C St., Hastings, Neb.	Adams	3	Vacant	E	210	4		150	3		130	10		102
103	Hildreth	St. Peter	NW	1901	Hildreth, Neb.	Franklin	6	Ernest W. Switzer	E	475		21	330		15	304		7	103
104	Homer	St. Paul	NE	1888	Homer, Neb.	Dakota	6	L. C. Weitzenkamp	E	500		1	375	4		162		75	104
105	Hooper	Redeemer	NE	1868	Hooper, Neb.	Dodge	5	G. Van Buening	E	830	9		640	10		551		3	105
106	Hooper	St. Paul	NE	1870	4¾ Mi. N.W., Hooper, Neb.	Dodge	5	LeRoy J. Dobbe	EG	452		16	350		13	380	5		106
107	Hubbard	Trinity	NE	1900	Hubbard, Neb.	Dakota	6	L. C. Weitzenkamp	E	234	13		164	5		90		20	107
108	Johnson	St. Matthew	C	1900	Johnson, Neb.	Nemaha	6	Arthur W. Hunsche	E	280		1	211	1		193		9	108
109	Lanham	St. John	SW	1885	Lanham, Neb.	Washington (Kans.)	6	Henry D. Gittler	E	157	7		105	3		96	13		109
110	Leigh	St. John	NE	1919	Leigh, Neb.	Colfax	5	Fred Ollendorf	E	380	2		275	3		180	3		110
111	Leigh	St. Paul	NE	1881	5¼ Mi. S.W., Leigh, Neb.	Platte	6	W. F. V. Churchill	E	205		4	151		5	104		1	111
112	Lewellen	Grace	NW	1906	Lewellen, Neb.	Garden	5	T. J. C. Schuldt, D.D.	E	191	13		130	14		103	9		112
113	Lincoln	Friedens	C	1907	540 D St., Lincoln, Nebr.	Lancaster	1	Herman Goede, D.D.	EG	1040		70	602		37	500		9	113
114	Lincoln	Grace	C	1890	2225 Washington St., Lincoln, Neb.	Lancaster	1	Leland H. Lesher, D.D.	E	1540		52	1197	13		947	22		114
115	Lincoln	Latvian	C	1954	2144 Washington St., Lincoln, Neb.	Lancaster	1	Herbert Jesifer	Latv	470		3	253		4	215		6	115
116	Lincoln	United	C	1940	5945 Fremont St., Lincoln, Neb.	Lancaster	1	Henry G. Knaub	E	630	120		330	67		253	67		116
117	Lincoln†	Zion	C	1881	10 Mi. W., 1½ Mi. N., Lincoln, Neb.	Lancaster	6	Frederick C. Nolte	E	190			140		2	136			117
118	Lindy	Good Shepherd	NE	1942	14 Mi. N.W., Bloomfield, Neb.	Knox	6	John C. Heidbreder	E	265			173			61		53	118

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119	Lodgepole	Immanuel	NW	1921	Lodgepole, Neb.	Cheyenne	5	Norman E. Schroeder	E	221	44	—	191	19	—	158	15	—	119
120	Louisville	Christ	C	1890	Rt. 66, 7 Mi. E., Louisville, Neb.	Cass	6	A. B. J. Lentz, D.D.	E	171	—	2	130	5	—	121	—	3	120
121	Madison	Immanuel	NE	1901	Madison, Neb.	Madison	5	Henry Yurk (S)	E	112	—	4	90	—	5	76	—	1	121
122	McCool Junction	First	C	1900	McCool Junction, Neb.	York	6	J. C. Suter	E	282	16	—	178	7	—	113	3	—	122
123	Nebraska City	First	C	1866	115 S. 10th St., Nebraska City, Neb.	Otoe	4	Ted R. Youngerman	E	619	—	10	413	—	37	223	—	76	123
124	Niobrara	Niobrara	NE	1940	Niobrara, Neb.	Knox	5	John C. Heidbreder	E	347	50	—	216	32	—	100	—	20	124
125	Norfolk	St. John	NE	1902	2nd St. & Philip Ave., Norfolk, Neb.	Madison	3	Richard L. Jobman	E	641	28	—	464	13	—	348	7	—	125
126	North Bend	St. Matthew	NE	1891	4 Mi. W., Wyatow, Neb.	Dodge	5	Harlan A. Brei	E	134	—	9	70	—	2	56	—	7	126
127	North Platte	First	NW	1870	5th & Sycamore Sts., North Platte, Neb.	Lincoln	9	Marvin E. Suhr	E	2181	67	—	1458	19	—	1010	4	—	127
128	Ohiowa	Grace	C	1887	2½ Mi. S.W., Ohiowa, Neb.	Fillmore	6	Paul C. Kuehner	E	113	3	—	82	1	—	75	—	5	128
129	Ohiowa	St. John	C	1890	Ohiowa, Neb.	Fillmore	6	Karl H. Konig	E	297	4	—	221	2	—	212	—	3	129
130	Omaha	First English	C	1907	3047 N. 42nd St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Robert J. Haut	E	710	—	72	431	—	54	301	—	55	130
131	Omaha	Grace	C	1890	1208 S. 30th St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Vacant	E	640	38	—	412	11	—	412	11	—	131
132	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	C	1856	2650 Farnam St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Ralph Bergstresser	E	5508	—	85	4343	—	45	3062	—	60	132
133	Omaha	Luther Memorial	C	1890	61st & Western Ave., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Kendig W. Rugley	E	1110	110	—	673	36	—	576	31	—	133
134	Omaha	Morning Star	C	1956	3200 S. 84th St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Martin C. Ashley	E	457	106	—	305	102	—	347	67	—	134
135	Omaha	Our Redeemer	C	1917	4757 N. 24th St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Claudius E. Jensen	E	1303	—	60	956	—	43	509	—	41	135
136	Omaha	Pilgrim	C	1922	42nd & Bancroft, Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Charles B. Moreau, Jr.	E	300	10	—	231	5	—	306	2	—	136
137	Omaha	St. Luke	C	1909	2515 T St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	A. H. Pinkall	E	1173	—	3	1022	—	4	737	—	50	137
138	Omaha	St. Matthew	C	1892	60th & Walnut Sts., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Hugo H. F. Weichert	E	672	67	—	423	41	—	310	20	—	138
139	Oshkosh	St. Mark	NW	1909	Oshkosh, Neb.	Garden	8	T. J. C. Schmidt, D.D.	E	303	—	1	213	5	—	171	—	—	139
140	Otoe	St. John	C	1901	Otoe, Neb.	Otoe	6	R. M. Sauberzweig, ThD.	E	303	—	6	197	—	5	115	—	5	140
141	Papillion	Trinity	C	1890	423 S. Madison St., Papillion, Neb.	Sarpy	5	C. R. Goldenstein	E	402	18	—	377	13	—	307	13	—	141
142	Paxton	Trinity	NW	1905	Paxton, Neb.	Keith	8	Vacant	E	400	—	1	300	—	2	234	—	20	142
143	Pender**	St. Mark	NE	1916	Pender, Neb.	Thurston	8	Walter E. Sawyldt	E	810	—	8	646	—	7	521	—	7	143
144	Pender	St. Peter	NE	1900	4½ Mi. W., Pender, Neb.	Thurston	4	Victor Moeller	E	305	6	—	190	2	—	160	—	10	144
145	Pierce	Christ	NE	1869	410 S. 2nd, Pierce, Neb.	Pierce	8	H. J. Diekhoff	E	207	2	—	179	—	1	130	—	8	145
146	Pilger	St. Peter	NE	1900	Pilger, Neb.	Stanton	8	Robert J. Hulse	E	304	54	—	207	42	—	211	21	—	146
147	Platte Center	Zion	NE	1901	7 Mi. N.E., Platte Center, Neb.	Platte	6	Henry Yurk (S)	E	146	—	3	96	—	1	96	—	1	147
148	Polk	Trinity	C	1905	Polk, Neb.	Polk	8	R. A. Barnett	E	100	3	—	66	1	—	97	—	1	148
149	Ponca	Salem	NE	1888	Church St. & St. 2, Ponca, Neb.	Dixon	8	Paul Wagenan	E	622	—	50	340	—	34	302	3	—	149
150	Potter	First	NW	1909	Potter, Neb.	Cheyenne	6	Vernon A. Hintzmeyer	E	270	14	—	180	6	—	110	—	11	150
151	Ralston	Messiah	C	1909	5801 S. 60th St., Ralston, Neb.	Douglas	4	H. G. Ritzen	E	300	61	—	141	38	—	130	34	—	151
152	Rising City	First	C	1901	Rising City, Neb.	Butler	6	Loyal E. Mortensen	E	305	13	—	200	2	—	140	9	—	152
153	Schuyler	St. John	NE	1901	South & Denver, Schuyler, Neb.	Colfax	4	Harlan F. Heier	E	366	14	—	213	10	—	166	—	10	153
154	Scribner	St. John	NE	1901	6 Mi. N.E., Scribner, Neb.	Dodge	6	Lester Larson	E	247	5	—	180	2	—	158	—	1	154
155	Scribner	St. John Ridgeley	NE	1874	6 Mi. S.W., Scribner, Neb.	Dodge	6	Harlan A. Brei	E	300	1	—	180	1	—	164	—	9	155
156	Scribner	United	NE	1889	Scribner, Neb.	Dodge	5	Raymond R. Pfeiffer	E	374	6	—	227	5	—	214	5	—	156
157	Sidney	Holy Trinity	NW	1888	San Marino at Lodgepole Rd., Sidney, Neb.	Cheyenne	6	Henry T. Minnich	E	1136	6	—	640	10	—	451	30	—	157
158	Snyder	Immanuel	NE	1909	Snyder, Neb.	Dodge	6	Raymond R. Pfeiffer	E	60	3	—	40	1	—	40	1	—	158
159	South Sioux City	First	NE	1898	2001 Dakota Ave., South Sioux City, Neb.	Dakota	6	Vacant	E	1115	36	—	807	1	—	454	—	40	159

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160	Spencer	United	NE	1890	Spencer, Neb.	Boyd	5	Hugh Dowler	E	246	—	3	170	—	9	113	4	—	160
161	Stanford	Trinity	NW	1888	Stanford, Neb.	Harlan	6	Dale W. Rosche	E	206	—	—	137	—	9	132	—	3	161
162	Stanton	St. Luke	NE	1888	Stanton, Neb.	Stanton	5	Robert J. Holze	E	156	1	—	111	1	—	79	9	—	162
163	Stella	Trinity	C	1881	Stella, Neb.	Richardson	4	Frederick Freyteg (S)	E	64	—	—	50	—	3	19	—	2	163
164	Sterling	St. John	C	1883	1 Mi. S. Sterling, Neb.	Johnson	6	Vincent Grzywinski	E	146	—	—	112	—	9	60	1	—	164
165	Superior*	Our Redeemer	C	1888	12th W. 4th St., (Temporary), Superior, Neb.	Nuckolls	4	Henry R. Meyer	E	97	97	—	80	80	—	27	27	—	165
166	Sutherland	Grace	NW	1883	Sutherland, Neb.	Lincoln	5	Paul L. Sawyidit	E	168	—	5	131	12	—	78	—	7	166
167	Sutton	Zion	C	1884	Sutton, Neb.	Clay	5	Arnold Hubner (S)	E	97	—	36	78	—	30	80	—	28	167
168	Syracuse	First	C	1889	Syracuse, Neb.	Otoe	5	R. M. Saubersweig, ThD (S)	E	60	6	—	50	3	—	35	—	—	168
169	Tekamah	Emmanuel	NE	1877	12th & L Sts., Tekamah, Neb.	Burt	5	Robert E. Schlichter	E	472	36	—	313	19	—	260	33	—	169
170	Oakland	St. Paul	NE	1889	Oakland, Neb.	Dodge	6	Lester Lemon	E	147	30	—	105	7	—	94	18	—	170
171	Yutan	St. John	NE	1883	11 Mi. E. Sleepy, Neb.	Washington	6	A. C. Baughman, D.D. (S)	E	36	—	—	13	—	—	13	—	—	171
172	Valley	St. Mark	C	1883	Valley, Neb.	Douglas	5	Vacant	E	345	10	—	127	4	—	63	—	10	172
173	Yutan	St. Mark	C	1883	3 Mi. S. 1 Mi. E. Yutan, Neb.	Richardson	4	Vacant	E	227	—	3	140	—	1	116	—	—	173
174	Walton	Grace	C	1910	Walton, Neb.	Lancaster	4	Foster L. Crum	E	94	3	—	70	1	—	48	—	—	174
175	Wayne	Redeemer	NE	1889	5th & Lincoln Sts., Wayne, Neb.	Wayne	4	S. K. deFreese	E	1063	62	—	686	60	—	601	51	—	175
176	Wayne	St. Paul	NE	1891	5th & Pearl Sts., Wayne, Neb.	Wayne	4	Robert E. Shirck	E	618	—	30	473	—	32	411	—	7	176
177	West Point	Grace	NE	1874	104 S. Colfax, West Point, Neb.	Cuming	4	George P. Krebs	E	1107	—	62	704	—	56	584	—	9	177
178	Wilber	First	C	1889	Wilber, Neb.	Saline	5	Henry C. Coelln	E	379	15	—	264	7	—	213	5	—	178
179	Winside	Trinity	NE	1901	Winside, Neb.	Wayne	4	M. K. Gullen	E	347	3	—	256	3	—	152	4	—	179
180	Wisner	Christ	NE	1897	Wisner, Neb.	Cuming	3	Edward J. Amend	E	404	17	—	285	31	—	251	21	—	180
181	Wolbach	Trinity	C	1903	Wolbach, Neb.	Greeley	4	Donald L. Albert	E	482	17	—	314	1	—	300	17	—	181
182	York	First	C	1883	8th & Grant Sts., York, Neb.	York	4	J. C. Suter	E	333	16	—	252	12	—	140	—	9	182
183	Yutan	St. John	C	1881	Yutan, Neb.	Saunders	6	Karl Konig	E	619	—	11	402	—	16	320	13	—	183
	Oklahoma																		
184	Midwest City	St. Mark	S	1950	Mercury Jr. HS., 1400 E. Reno Ave., Midwest City, Okla	Oklahoma	2	Daniel J. Adamcik	E	176	40	—	103	30	—	79	16	—	184
185	Oklahoma City	First	S	1902	1300 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Okla.	Oklahoma	1	Louis H. deFreese	E	470	—	13	322	—	11	300	—	—	185
186	Perry	Zion	S	1897	1 Mi. E., Perry, Okla.	Noble	6	A. J. Duis	E	221	—	4	140	—	9	142	—	9	186
187	Stillwater	Salem	S	1911	Duck & Elm Sts., Stillwater, Okla.	Payne	4	A. J. Duis	E	191	5	—	135	4	—	134	11	—	187
188	Tulsa	Ascension	S	1905	4802 S. Lewis Ave., Tulsa, Okla.	Tulsa	1	Edward W. Amend	E	395	11	—	170	7	—	148	—	—	188
189	Tulsa	First	S	1909	1045 E. 12th St., Tulsa, Okla.	Tulsa	1	Vernon F. Jacobs	E	520	4	—	502	2	—	520	2	—	189
	Texas																		
190	Darrouzett	St. Paul	S	1905	Darrouzett, Tex.	Lipscomb	6	Vacant	E	84	—	—	71	—	—	71	—	—	190
191	Lipscomb	St. John	S	1915	Lipscomb, Tex.	Lipscomb	6	J. A. Bahnsen (S)	E	123	—	3	79	—	6	76	—	3	191
	1959 Totals	Congregations 191						Pastors 220		90251			61634			45120		1959	
	1958 Totals	Congregations 190						Pastors 211		89944			61030			44800		1958	
	Increase	1						9		1307			508			320		Inc.	
	Decrease																	Dec.	

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Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	MEMBERSHIP																			EDUCATION																		Index Number
					CHILD MEMBERS							ADULT MEMBERS									PARISH															HIGHER			
					Accessions			Losses				Accessions					Losses				Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Vacation Church School									
		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism	Otherwise	Total	Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Nursery Roll	Number	Staff Members	Pupils	Vacation Church Schools	Vacation Church Staff Members	Vacation Church School Pupils	Catechumens (Children and Adults)	In Luth. Theological Sem.	In Other Luth. Institutions	In Non-Luth. Institutions	
	ARKANSAS																																						
1	Fort Smith, St. Luke	280	178	148	5	14	19	3	—	2	—	5	8	8	10	1	22	1	15	1	17	1	14	67	—	—	—	—	—	1	22	44	11	1	1	2	1
2	Hot Springs, Prince of Peace	69	69	55	—	11	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	71	71	2	—	—	2	1	9	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	—	2	2
3	Little Rock, Faith	94	60	60	5	23	28	—	—	4	—	4	—	6	61	16	83	—	5	—	5	1	9	35	—	2	—	—	—	1	4	20	9	—	—	2	3
	IOWA																																						
4	Northboro, St. Paul	177	116	90	5	—	5	5	—	—	—	5	—	5	—	—	5	2	—	—	2	1	15	74	—	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	2	4
	KANSAS																																						
5	Abilene, Trinity	368	286	250	6	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	1	17	4	—	22	6	4	—	10	1	22	165	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	25	—	1	5	5
6	Atchison, St. Mark	711	530	303	14	12	26	9	1	7	—	17	3	11	11	3	26	9	10	—	28	1	24	180	—	60	—	—	—	1	12	40	22	—	—	16	6
7	Beloit, Zion	430	297	247	12	4	16	7	—	10	—	17	—	7	6	—	13	2	11	11	24	1	12	120	—	21	—	—	—	1	6	24	18	—	—	7	7
8	Bonham, St. John	367	276	220	7	—	7	—	—	3	15	18	5	6	—	5	16	2	2	16	20	1	10	135	—	—	—	—	—	1	10	24	18	—	—	2	8
9	Bethel, Prince of Peace	185	113	100	7	10	17	8	—	8	24	41	—	9	9	—	18	—	6	28	34	1	20	75	—	18	—	—	—	1	6	54	22	—	—	4	9
10	Chapman, Schaver Memorial	271	130	123	10	2	12	3	—	4	—	7	—	6	3	—	9	3	6	16	24	1	19	115	4	6	—	—	—	1	6	30	14	—	—	6	10
11	Ellis, Christ	542	305	303	15	5	20	6	—	2	—	8	—	9	4	—	13	4	10	—	14	1	42	148	37	22	—	—	—	1	10	100	6	—	—	6	11
12	Emporia, St. Mark	541	309	314	12	4	16	6	—	5	—	11	—	7	4	—	11	6	10	—	16	1	13	160	—	34	—	—	—	1	13	54	16	—	1	11	12
13	Eureka, Christ	341	274	304	3	16	20	6	—	—	—	6	3	6	6	—	15	13	2	—	15	2	17	110	—	6	—	—	—	1	12	60	16	—	—	14	13
14	Gaines, St. Paul	304	180	177	5	3	8	6	—	6	—	12	2	6	2	2	10	2	7	11	20	1	16	88	—	12	1	5	22	—	—	—	22	—	—	4	14
15	Great Bend, St. Mark	221	168	165	3	11	14	5	1	—	—	6	—	6	22	—	28	1	12	25	38	1	27	160	—	18	—	—	—	1	12	40	20	—	—	4	15
16	Greenleaf, Trinity	130	108	98	3	—	3	2	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	2	4	2	—	6	1	9	65	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	6	6	—	—	2	16
17	Hanover, Zion	208	204	242	10	4	14	5	1	1	—	7	1	9	7	—	17	1	12	11	24	1	15	204	—	—	—	—	—	1	9	45	15	—	—	6	17
18	Hays, Trinity	348	307	195	6	9	17	10	—	11	—	21	6	11	17	3	37	5	10	—	34	1	27	132	6	14	—	—	—	1	10	24	20	—	1	—	18
19	Haysville, Resurrection	108	78	87	16	65	80	—	—	6	—	6	12	11	51	3	77	—	4	—	4	1	18	96	—	10	—	—	—	1	5	60	10	—	—	—	19
20	Hutchinson, Redeemer	365	339	168	11	4	15	—	—	11	22	33	1	1	6	9	17	1	17	27	45	1	22	70	—	10	—	—	—	1	10	38	12	—	—	—	20
21	Kansas City, Redeemer	54	30	30	—	—	—	—	2	—	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	9	1	6	42	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	30	6	—	—	—	21
22	Kingsley, Redeemer	168	111	76	6	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	3	3	—	—	3	1	5	30	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	17	6	—	—	—	22
23	Kiowa, Friedens	369	309	308	4	7	11	6	—	2	5	13	3	11	6	—	21	1	5	10	16	1	24	150	—	—	—	—	—	1	16	65	15	—	—	15	23
24	Lakeshore, Zion	420	318	280	8	6	14	—	—	7	—	7	3	—	4	—	4	6	9	—	15	1	20	150	16	22	—	—	—	1	16	117	12	—	—	15	24
25	Kansas City, Trinity	204	197	186	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	—	11	3	1	—	4	1	10	110	—	6	—	—	—	1	6	55	6	—	—	25	25
26	Lawrence, St. John	1318	818	800	16	30	46	15	—	17	—	32	1	8	22	6	37	15	41	—	57	1	22	270	—	15	—	—	—	1	16	55	6	—	—	26	26
27	Lawrence, Trinity	180	100	90	3	1	4	9	1	—	—	9	1	3	—	1	5	1	3	—	4	1	7	60	9	15	—	—	—	1	16	55	6	—	—	1	27
28	Linn, St. Paul	124	100	60	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	3	—	4	1	10	80	—	10	—	—	—	1	6	55	6	—	—	3	28
29	Mission, St. Paul	141	80	90	3	—	3	3	—	—	—	3	—	3	—	—	3	1	1	—	2	1	6	60	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	35	3	—	—	6	29
30	New Cambria, Peace	40	37	17	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	3	—	3	—	—	3	1	—	—	1	1	4	14	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	5	3	—	—	—	30
31	Newton, St. Mark	341	240	180	11	—	11	3	—	—	—	3	—	7	9	—	16	1	3	6	6	1	11	80	16	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	4	31
32	Peabody, St. Paul	37	34	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2	1	4	11	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	32
33	Perth, St. James	1000	657	400	20	40	60	10	—	60	16	86	3	16	60	9	78	3	21	37	72	1	36	245	—	60	—	—	—	1	30	120	30	1	9	33	33
34	Prairie Village, Faith	1000	670	600	41	9	50	30	—	10	—	41	4	25	17	—	46	6	27	6	39	1	36	400	—	60	1	5	40	1	30	120	30	1	9	34	34
35	Russell, St. John	180	150	100	5	5	7	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	8	—	13	1	—	—	1	1	10	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	35
36	Russell, Trinity	1100	600	600	24	15	39	30	1	10	104	175	4	30	44	3	79	10	31	18	59	1	30	250	—	30	—	—	—	1	15	100	30	1	—	36	36
37	Salina, St. John	750	400	300	25	20	45	—	1	10	7	18	3	6	30	—	45	3	30	31	64	1	30	160	—	30	—	—	—	1	15	60	18	—	—	9	37
38	Topeka, First	190	100	80	10	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	3	6	—	—	9	3	3	—	6	1	10	80	—	6	—	—	—	1	6	60	6	—	—	6	38
39	Valley Falls, St. Paul																																						39

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ARKANSAS																													
1	1	30	1	30	—	—	1	6	[illegible]	12000	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	7500	1365	8865	—	—	—	—	40	40	[illegible]	700	[illegible]	[illegible]	1
2	1	10	1	30	—	—	1	6	—	12000	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	1750	901	2651	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	307	307	2958	2
3	—	—	1	30	—	—	1	6	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	2042	—	2042	8	16	—	18	161	214	—	800	800	3056	3
IOWA																													
4	—	—	1	31	1	35	1	6	17000	6000	—	—	500	24000	—	3418	1173	4590	30	162	—	140	300	642	1442	970	1824	6214	4
KANSAS																													
5	1	20	3	135	1	30	2	26	[illegible]	10000	—	[illegible]	—	70000	—	12250	—	12250	100	—	—	—	678	778	3007	3007	4278	16028	5
6	1	12	2	100	2	40	1	12	[illegible]	7400	—	—	9420	64700	—	11146	3134	14280	38	80	210	100	700	1128	4612	3500	4628	18708	6
7	—	—	1	60	1	30	1	12	[illegible]	3000	3000	—	37162	49162	—	6528	3525	11253	20	—	60	67	270	420	3646	3000	3565	15106	7
8	1	10	1	70	—	—	1	30	[illegible]	24000	—	4000	—	[illegible]	—	6162	572	6734	200	—	—	—	1021	1407	3646	3000	4207	10011	8
9	1	30	1	10	—	—	1	12	[illegible]	17000	—	—	—	52300	44277	5000	3071	8077	55	—	—	—	311	366	1201	442	720	2008	9
10	1	15	1	42	1	14	1	12	[illegible]	6000	—	2000	—	76000	—	6817	603	7420	200	—	—	61	173	644	1600	1600	2305	9725	10
11	1	30	2	60	—	—	1	30	[illegible]	8000	21000	—	—	74000	—	10274	632	10906	630	92	30	74	1276	2102	6417	6417	8519	17515	11
12	—	—	1	154	1	35	2	30	[illegible]	10000	—	5000	103533	182533	—	9763	2597	12360	2	—	—	117	326	455	2146	2146	2601	17563	12
13	1	30	1	90	—	—	1	12	114000	12000	—	—	3500	129500	6000	15942	1760	17702	675	—	—	125	469	1269	3040	1000	2169	20670	13
14	—	—	2	62	1	24	1	20	70000	6000	—	—	—	76000	1200	8297	924	9221	311	—	—	62	300	673	2110	2200	2641	12142	14
15	1	27	1	35	—	—	2	27	[illegible]	25000	—	—	—	[illegible]	25000	7020	2700	10720	—	—	—	25	148	173	2742	1214	1301	12111	15
16	—	—	2	80	—	—	—	—	25000	5000	—	—	2000	32000	—	2972	300	3254	23	—	—	—	46	69	1397	679	740	4108	16
17	1	22	4	35	—	—	1	20	27000	10000	20000	11000	—	78000	—	9077	1170	10247	300	—	—	—	421	721	3650	2275	2600	13742	17
18	—	—	1	65	1	16	1	22	50000	12000	—	—	10000	72000	—	11447	2700	14147	452	91	33	65	361	1053	2732	2732	3626	17973	18
19	—	—	1	16	1	24	—	—	—	17000	24000	—	10000	51000	40000	3270	870	4140	6	—	—	10	—	16	—	664	830	5006	19
20	—	—	1	35	1	10	2	21	10000	6000	—	—	5000	23000	—	7400	200	7600	180	75	—	10	370	635	2343	2242	2876	10258	20
21	—	—	1	10	—	—	—	—	500	—	—	—	—	500	—	1902	72	1974	22	—	10	20	51	103	622	300	403	1367	21
22	—	—	1	30	—	—	—	—	10000	5000	—	—	—	15000	—	2736	—	2736	12	—	15	—	—	27	1214	600	632	3368	22
23	—	—	1	52	—	—	2	16	90000	19500	11000	—	8500	129000	17500	11794	1397	13181	140	209	161	29	360	919	3415	1111	2030	15211	23
24	1	22	1	75	1	28	—	—	110000	20000	—	—	—	130000	—	11194	1600	12904	225	693	38	206	456	1618	3562	3562	5170	18164	24
25	—	—	3	100	3	70	1	25	10000	5000	—	—	—	15000	—	8680	848	9528	130	38	20	25	151	360	1969	1024	1384	10912	25
26	1	25	1	150	—	—	3	120	380465	22400	—	—	42904	425769	3063	21451	27560	49011	3200	613	30	300	1924	6075	7002	6005	14080	63091	26
27	1	6	2	36	—	—	1	18	20000	13000	—	—	300	33300	500	5473	2497	8169	110	60	35	20	146	381	1336	620	1001	9170	27
28	—	—	1	19	1	25	1	12	8000	—	—	—	400	8400	—	2748	—	2748	—	—	—	17	65	102	987	391	493	3241	28
29	—	—	1	22	1	12	1	15	40000	10000	8000	—	15000	73000	—	2749	1033	3782	—	—	—	—	8	8	501	264	292	4074	29
30	—	—	1	12	—	—	—	—	1500	500	—	—	—	2000	—	766	94	860	—	—	—	20	36	56	228	228	284	1144	30
31	—	—	1	84	1	20	1	19	60000	6000	—	—	—	66000	—	5912	301	6213	609	—	—	121	272	1002	1518	444	1446	7650	31
32	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	700	—	—	—	—	700	—	601	2	603	1	—	46	58	17	122	213	167	289	892	32
33	—	—	1	150	1	150	1	80	203147	18500	—	—	17434	239081	97156	27681	23669	51350	3403	—	—	116	1603	5122	6406	6000	13122	64472	33
34	1	22	4	147	—	—	1	17	120000	25000	130000	—	—	275000	—	17508	3067	20575	4571	—	394	568	2465	8018	10321	10321	18339	38914	34
35	—	—	1	24	—	—	—	—	50000	5000	—	—	1000	56000	—	6555	1411	7966	363	—	—	—	35	398	1715	976	1374	9340	35
36	—	—	3	219	1	32	2	56	150000	20000	12500	3600	—	298600	35000	26085	79478	105563	1155	188	—	168	2503	4006	9927	10124	14130	119693	36
37	1	15	1	98	1	25	1	24	19000	20500	—	—	54567	94067	25127	13265	12957	26222	536	63	—	57	1437	2093	4569	4569	6662	32884	37
38	1	39	2	74	—	—	—	—	25000	8000	—	1000	5500	39500	—	8465	—	8465	533	—	10	43	284	870	1230	1230	2100	10565	38

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Index Number	Pastoral Charge (City or Town and Congregation)	Membership: Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Child Members: Accessions: By Baptism	Otherwise	Total	Losses: Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Adult Members: Accessions: By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	Losses: By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Education: Parish: Sunday Schools: Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Nursery Roll	Weekday Schools: Number	Staff Members	Pupils	Vacation Church Schools: Vacation Church Schools	Vacation Church Staff Members	Vacation Church School Pupils	Catechumens (Children and Adults)	Higher: In Luth. Theological Sem.	In Other Luth. Institutions	In Non-Luth. Institutions	Index Number
39	Wakeeney, Bethlehem	756	454	178	22	1	23	10	—	9	—	19	2	10	6	4	22	2	16	—	21	1	18	300	—	48	—	—	—	1	10	135	35	—	—	15	39
40	Wakeeney, Zion	214	173	124	6	—	6	2	—	—	—	2	1	3	—	—	4	3	6	—	9	1	16	75	—	11	—	—	—	1	6	85	7	—	2	10	40
41	Washington, Good Shepherd	327	250	213	8	7	15	4	—	2	21	27	4	13	4	40	61	—	5	—	5	1	11	95	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	85	21	—	1	2	41
42	Waterville, St. Mark	434	352	303	6	1	7	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	4	1	5	3	6	—	9	1	24	110	—	6	—	—	—	1	16	81	4	—	—	7	42
43	Wellington, St. John	374	233	303	30	7	37	7	—	11	—	18	19	30	4	8	70	—	12	—	12	1	21	140	—	—	—	—	—	1	16	68	71	—	—	1	43
44	Wichita, Reformation	454	347	172	16	44	60	—	—	14	16	30	1	—	32	8	42	3	33	25	61	1	30	105	1	42	—	—	—	1	35	115	38	—	1	6	44
45	Wichita, St. Paul	1306	772	725	35	85	120	15	—	6	—	21	4	30	56	—	101	12	19	277	308	1	45	450	—	30	—	—	—	1	15	135	38	—	9	16	45
46	Wilson, Excelsior	104	80	43	3	—	3	—	—	—	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	1	14	37	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	46
	MISSOURI																																				
47	Cole Camp, United	182	130	60	3	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	5	2	7	—	9	1	9	81	—	5	—	—	—	1	9	30	2	—	—	—	47
48	Columbia, St. Andrew	327	130	159	14	23	37	4	—	15	4	23	2	25	27	1	55	—	33	3	36	1	11	90	—	—	—	—	—	1	10	61	35	1	—	—	48
49	Kansas City, Bethlehem United	602	377	307	13	14	27	12	—	17	—	30	—	13	10	—	23	1	40	—	41	1	22	161	—	21	—	—	—	1	21	90	21	—	1	6	49
50	Kansas City, Children's Memorial	678	403	305	18	—	18	6	—	13	—	20	5	6	4	8	23	4	13	8	25	1	27	156	—	—	—	—	—	1	10	60	23	—	1	4	50
51	Kansas City, Reformation	304	133	111	4	7	11	1	—	4	—	5	1	7	18	—	26	—	5	—	5	1	17	100	—	13	—	—	—	1	10	30	13	—	—	2	51
52	Kansas City, St. Mark	1092	810	608	32	34	66	14	—	18	2	34	10	14	56	3	83	12	44	18	75	1	32	246	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	74	21	1	1	13	52
53	Langdon, St. Peter	305	151	91	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	1	23	68	—	7	—	—	—	1	15	30	6	—	—	—	53
54	Lee's Summit, Martin Luther	144	68	84	3	9	12	6	—	7	—	13	—	10	8	—	18	1	4	—	5	1	6	76	—	—	—	—	—	1	9	45	20	—	—	1	54
55	Raytown, Blue Ridge Trinity	555	320	340	32	16	48	—	—	14	15	29	1	11	34	5	51	1	16	17	34	1	22	187	—	30	—	—	—	1	17	104	45	—	1	1	55
56	Rich Fort, First	450	300	300	1	—	1	—	—	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	6	7	—	13	1	20	150	—	18	—	—	—	—	—	45	20	1	—	17	57
57	St. Joseph, First English	671	724	568	34	36	40	13	—	4	9	21	—	12	21	4	40	9	20	5	34	1	41	416	30	40	1	1	24	—	—	—	40	—	1	5	58
58	Sedalia, Trinity	300	160	130	9	3	12	—	—	7	—	7	3	5	4	—	12	3	11	10	24	1	24	110	—	6	—	—	—	1	16	76	9	—	1	5	58
59	Springfield, Messiah	140	97	80	7	65	72	—	—	17	—	17	3	5	77	66	150	—	14	2	16	1	11	61	—	16	—	—	—	1	15	60	16	—	—	6	59
60	Sunset Beach, Kent Memorial	171	150	80	—	1	1	4	—	3	1	7	4	7	5	4	20	—	5	25	30	1	14	110	—	4	—	—	—	1	4	60	14	—	1	7	60
61	Washburn, St. John	307	300	270	5	2	7	6	—	—	32	38	—	6	4	—	10	4	13	6	23	1	17	130	—	30	—	—	—	1	11	75	14	—	1	7	61
	NEBRASKA																																				
62	Allen, First	450	300	140	10	6	16	6	—	1	—	6	1	15	6	—	22	5	10	—	15	1	16	110	—	30	—	—	—	1	16	85	30	—	1	6	62
63	Altonon, St. John United	441	276	301	6	28	34	6	—	24	30	61	6	11	6	7	31	1	15	46	62	1	18	150	—	45	1	6	36	1	16	85	30	—	1	6	63
64	Axtell, Reformation	81	30	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	64
65	Auburn, St. John	307	300	180	4	—	4	4	—	—	—	4	—	4	—	—	4	3	4	12	19	1	30	150	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	85	3	—	1	6	65
66	Auburn, St. Paul	371	440	400	30	6	36	15	—	9	3	36	9	16	15	6	46	3	16	3	22	1	24	240	—	40	—	—	—	1	16	115	18	—	—	6	66
67	Beatrice, Trinity United	334	140	130	3	—	3	4	—	3	—	7	—	6	4	1	11	4	7	6	17	1	12	100	—	18	—	—	—	1	16	75	18	—	—	4	67
68	Bellevue, Immanuel	300	300	180	6	18	21	11	—	16	18	34	1	15	30	1	46	1	16	15	32	1	14	100	—	—	—	—	—	1	16	115	6	—	—	4	68
69	Bendel, Zion	170	130	110	4	7	11	6	—	12	—	18	—	5	1	6	12	6	6	—	12	1	14	70	6	18	—	—	—	—	—	60	20	—	1	4	69
70	Bennington, St. John	600	400	300	15	9	24	18	—	8	—	26	5	30	4	1	40	11	14	—	25	1	40	270	—	30	—	—	—	1	16	80	30	—	4	16	70
71	Bloomfield, St. Mark	173	400	400	18	1	19	11	—	4	2	17	—	11	6	10	27	7	16	6	29	1	18	60	—	24	—	—	—	1	16	80	18	—	—	—	71
72	Blue Hill, St. Paul	300	210	207	4	—	4	9	—	3	—	9	—	4	1	—	7	4	16	4	24	1	18	70	—	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	—	1	1	72
73	Brandenburg, Messiah	344	150	104	10	—	10	—	1	—	—	1	6	4	4	—	14	1	—	—	1	1	8	60	—	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	24	—	6	1	73
74	Broken Bow, Our Saviour	130	70	54	3	13	16	3	—	3	—	6	3	3	10	—	16	—	8	3	11	1	8	60	—	4	—	—	—	1	8	30	8	—	1	—	74
75	Chappell, Grace	90	60	60	3	4	7	1	—	—	—	1	—	3	3	—	6	1	—	—	1	1	8	30	—	8	—	—	—	1	16	45	18	—	—	1	75
76	Columbus, Good Shepherd	347	180	110	3	7	10	11	1	3	4	19	1	16	6	9	30	1	4	10	15	1	8	90	—	30	—	—	—	1	16	85	18	—	1	1	76
77	Columbus, St. John	301	140	100	6	—	6	9	—	3	—	6	—	6	1	—	8	9	6	—	7	1	16	100	—	30	—	—	—	1	16	85	18	—	1	—	77

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Index Number	Group Organizations: Men's – Number	Men's – Members	Women's – Number	Women's – Members	Mixed – Number	Mixed – Members	Young People's – Number	Young People's – Members	Financial: Valuation of Church Property – Church Building	Parsonage	[illegible]	[illegible]	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness
39	—	—	2	130	—	—	2	41	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—
40	—	—	1	35	1	30	1	30	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	—
41	1	12	2	61	—	—	1	19	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
42	1	7	2	74	—	—	2	26	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—
43	—	—	2	80	—	—	1	20	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	—
44	1	30	1	30	—	—	1	15	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
45	1	30	1	170	3	76	3	100	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
46	—	—	1	16	—	—	—	—	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—
[illegible]															
47	1	19	1	27	—	—	1	9	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	—
48	1	51	1	27	—	—	1	13	—	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
49	—	—	1	62	—	—	4	85	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
50	1	12	1	76	1	30	1	15	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
51	—	—	1	30	—	—	3	36	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
52	1	20	6	237	3	127	3	74	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	—
53	—	—	1	30	—	—	—	—	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—
54	—	—	1	16	1	16	1	15	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
55	1	20	3	80	—	—	2	26	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
56	—	—	1	60	—	—	1	16	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—
57	1	65	5	266	3	140	1	25	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—
58	1	12	2	30	—	—	1	19	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
59	—	—	—	—	1	30	1	16	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
60	—	—	1	34	1	20	1	18	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
61	—	—	1	35	—	—	1	15	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—
NEBRASKA															
62	—	—	1	36	—	—	1	16	30000	8000	—	—	—	38000	—
63	1	13	1	52	1	13	1	20	72000	10000	—	—	—	82000	27624
64	—	—	1	7	—	—	1	10	12000	8000	—	—	—	20000	—
65	—	—	1	22	—	—	1	15	25000	5000	1500	3750	2700	37950	—
66	1	7	3	97	1	45	2	56	225500	7000	—	—	500	233000	51450
67	—	—	1	45	—	—	1	14	50000	12500	7250	—	267	70017	2400
68	1	10	1	25	1	15	3	50	21000	11000	—	—	4500	36500	9370
69	1	10	2	85	—	—	1	20	25000	5000	—	—	8000	38000	—
70	—	—	1	73	1	30	1	27	45000	12000	—	—	40000	97000	—
71	1	15	3	201	1	28	1	49	215000	7000	—	—	1970	223970	19694
72	—	—	1	37	—	—	1	16	21000	21000	—	—	359	42359	—
73	—	—	1	18	—	—	—	—	10000	3000	—	—	—	13000	—
74	—	—	1	12	—	—	—	—	—	14500	—	—	16144	30644	22185
75	1	5	1	20	—	—	1	3	8000	—	—	—	—	8000	—
76	1	10	2	28	1	21	1	10	15000	8500	—	—	1056	24556	—
77	1	23	1	41	1	24	1	24	40000	15000	—	—	735	55735	—

Index Number	Congregational Expenses – Current	[illegible]	Total	Congregational Benevolence: Unapportioned – [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Total	Apportioned – [illegible]	[illegible]	Total [illegible]	Total [illegible]	Index Number
39	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	39
40	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	40
41	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	41
42	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	42
43	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	43
44	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	44
45	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	45
46	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	46
47	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	47
48	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	—	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	48
49	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	49
50	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	50
51	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	51
52	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	52
53	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	53
54	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	54
55	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	55
56	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	56
57	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	57
58	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	58
59	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	59
60	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	60
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63	8496	5143	13639	374	33	—	66	933	1306	3370	2715	4113	17752	63
64	1458	—	1458	—	—	—	—	—	—	400	25	25	1483	64
65	5910	1002	6912	47	10	—	22	226	305	2823	1811	2116	9028	65
66	14670	9383	24053	512	—	—	318	1040	1870	5000	6116	7986	32039	66
67	6369	1199	7568	80	—	—	70	631	781	1822	1822	2603	10171	67
68	7165	1553	8718	177	75	—	18	187	457	3019	2222	2679	11397	68
69	4632	—	4632	—	71	—	92	249	412	1000	947	1359	5991	69
70	9754	2149	11903	2206	116	—	205	1819	4346	5085	4175	8521	20424	70
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72	5198	124	5322	30	107	—	134	279	571	2747	1499	2070	7392	72
73	4263	483	4746	18	181	113	24	74	410	1503	1007	1417	6163	73
74	4290	85	4375	5	—	—	38	119	162	789	237	399	4774	74
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					CHILD MEMBERS								ADULT MEMBERS								PARISH													HIGHER			
					Accessions			Losses					Accessions					Losses			Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Vacation Church School							
		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism	Otherwise	Total	Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Nursery Roll	Number	Staff Members	Pupils	Vacation Church Schools	Vacation Church Staff Members	Vacation Church School Pupils	Catechumens (Children and Adults)	In Luth. Theological Sem.	In Other Luth. Institutions	In Non-Luth. Institutions	Index Number
78	Columbus, Trinity	1100	819	677	65	22	72	30	1	9	—	30	—	34	22	3	59	6	15	—	22	1	30	300	—	90	—	—	—	1	45	160	71	—	9	14	78
79	Creston, St. Peter	311	230	132	7	—	7	5	—	1	5	11	—	8	3	—	11	1	4	7	12	1	19	80	—	30	—	—	—	1	6	26	6	—	—	2	79
80	Dakota City, Salem	413	304	252	13	4	17	5	—	—	9	14	—	6	16	1	23	3	6	—	9	1	25	180	45	21	—	—	—	1	25	21	25	—	2	5	80
81	Dalton, Trinity	252	234	133	7	—	7	4	—	—	—	4	1	4	1	4	10	4	—	—	4	1	20	101	—	16	—	—	—	1	10	77	7	—	—	7	81
82	Davenport, Christ	466	227	305	12	—	12	4	—	—	8	12	1	4	2	—	7	2	9	1	12	1	20	167	2	15	—	—	—	1	7	65	15	—	—	2	82
83	Diller, St. Paul	450	250	308	10	9	19	7	—	—	—	7	1	7	6	—	14	1	2	1	4	1	13	97	—	18	—	—	—	1	6	52	26	1	—	2	83
84	Diller, Zion	86	62	66	3	—	3	—	—	—	4	4	—	—	3	4	7	2	—	—	2	1	6	34	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	19	9	—	—	2	84
85	Eagle, Trinity	90	30	18	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	4	—	4	—	—	4	1	7	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	85
86	Emerson, St. Luke	774	479	323	30	5	35	5	—	17	—	22	1	9	15	—	25	7	15	—	22	1	35	302	6	60	—	—	—	1	14	77	31	—	3	6	86
87	Emerson, St. Paul	500	400	316	22	6	27	11	—	10	11	32	—	11	4	—	15	4	11	—	15	1	16	196	12	60	—	—	—	1	15	80	30	—	7	4	87
88	Falls City, St. Paul	1000	600	415	13	—	13	10	1	1	—	12	—	10	—	2	12	4	10	—	14	1	24	186	—	60	1	9	60	1	15	101	32	—	—	1	88
89	Falls City, St. Peter	130	60	60	10	3	13	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	4	2	—	—	2	1	7	60	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	42	13	—	—	1	89
90	Fontanelle, Salem	354	221	160	4	6	10	4	—	2	—	6	—	4	7	2	13	1	—	—	1	1	14	134	—	16	—	—	—	1	6	60	10	—	2	3	90
91	Fremont, Salem	1721	1240	1000	31	30	64	30	1	32	4	66	2	30	46	—	80	15	41	6	62	1	30	212	18	—	—	—	—	1	16	166	75	1	30	17	91
92	Gilsorti, St. Paul	316	130	104	12	—	12	—	—	2	—	2	—	9	1	—	10	1	4	—	5	1	9	70	—	37	—	—	—	1	9	45	9	—	1	1	92
93	Gothenburg, Zion	330	147	121	4	—	4	—	1	1	—	2	—	3	—	—	3	1	4	—	5	1	24	90	—	11	—	—	—	1	15	46	10	—	—	—	93
94	Grand Island, Messiah	1657	800	600	30	18	48	30	—	18	—	48	9	30	33	—	60	8	41	11	61	1	60	370	—	105	—	—	—	1	8	180	65	—	3	30	94
95	Grand Island, St. Paul English	1013	1001	1001	60	32	92	40	4	50	91	185	9	60	31	6	106	10	31	115	156	1	65	400	—	65	—	—	—	1	17	77	11	—	6	6	95
96	Gretna, Resurrection	500	414	270	15	6	20	11	—	—	—	11	1	11	6	—	18	5	9	—	14	1	34	97	—	15	—	—	—	1	11	44	18	—	—	1	96
97	Gurley, Grace	310	100	120	5	—	5	4	—	1	17	22	—	6	1	36	36	—	10	—	10	1	13	75	—	15	—	—	—	1	11	44	5	1	—	—	97
98	Hampton, Emmanuel	140	97	94	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	—	5	1	6	30	—	9	—	—	—	1	6	30	5	—	—	—	98
99	Hardy, St. Paul	91	64	65	1	3	4	—	—	5	36	41	—	—	60	—	60	1	11	31	43	1	13	65	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	30	—	—	—	—	99
100	Hastings, First St. Paul	2040	1400	1000	50	40	90	30	—	34	—	64	4	64	60	—	127	9	50	—	59	1	100	600	30	130	1	9	90	1	30	270	100	2	7	61	100
101	Hastings, Immanuel	80	60	60	1	1	2	2	—	—	—	2	—	2	1	—	3	2	—	6	11	1	7	60	—	2	—	—	—	1	6	18	2	—	—	1	101
102	Hastings, St. Paul	210	150	150	1	3	4	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	4	—	4	2	—	—	2	1	12	90	—	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	—	—	—	102
103	Hildreth, St. Peter	470	300	300	7	—	7	4	—	2	3	10	—	6	—	—	6	4	6	—	11	1	24	165	—	24	—	—	—	1	12	54	18	—	—	1	103
104	Hooper, St. Paul	500	275	180	6	—	6	11	—	3	—	14	—	16	11	3	30	7	18	1	26	1	25	170	—	30	—	—	—	1	12	55	21	—	4	5	104
105	Hooper, Redeemer	600	400	350	15	4	19	10	2	4	—	16	—	9	6	—	15	4	11	—	15	1	30	140	—	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	21	—	—	5	105
106	Hooper, St. Paul	400	400	300	4	7	11	3	—	16	—	19	—	9	6	—	15	1	6	—	7	1	9	60	—	30	—	—	—	1	7	40	10	—	—	1	106
107	Hubbard, Trinity	300	200	90	3	10	13	4	—	—	—	4	—	6	1	—	7	3	6	—	9	1	4	30	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	35	6	—	—	1	107
108	Johnson, St. Matthew	300	200	160	3	—	3	3	—	—	—	3	—	6	3	—	9	—	6	—	6	1	4	30	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	35	6	—	—	1	108
109	Lambert, St. John	150	100	80	3	4	7	—	—	6	—	6	—	6	3	—	9	4	1	—	5	1	10	120	—	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	—	1	109
110	Leigh, St. John	300	270	300	7	—	7	3	—	—	—	3	—	3	—	—	3	1	6	2	9	1	6	40	—	14	—	—	—	1	6	40	15	—	2	1	110
111	Leigh, St. Paul	300	150	200	6	—	6	3	—	—	—	3	—	10	4	1	15	3	—	—	3	1	10	80	—	—	—	—	—	1	7	40	15	—	—	1	111
112	Lewellen, Grace	150	100	100	4	3	7	3	—	—	—	3	4	10	4	1	19	3	—	—	3	1	10	100	—	20	—	—	—	1	10	110	15	—	1	15	112
113	Lincoln, Priesser	2000	600	600	30	14	44	3	—	30	45	78	3	15	16	4	38	10	16	30	56	1	30	400	—	100	—	—	—	1	10	140	114	1	9	30	113
114	Lincoln, Grace	1500	1100	900	30	14	44	15	1	30	30	76	11	40	30	—	81	6	14	1	21	1	17	150	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	100	10	1	—	—	114
115	Lincoln, Lutheran	470	300	310	6	5	11	3	—	5	—	8	2	9	6	—	17	4	14	—	18	1	30	100	—	30	1	4	60	1	16	120	10	—	9	15	115
116	Lincoln, Christ	400	300	300	10	10	20	10	—	15	5	40	6	27	40	—	73	3	30	30	63	1	30	100	—	30	—	—	—	1	1	100	—	—	—	—	116
117	Lincoln, Zion	300	200	200	3	3	6	—	—	5	—	5	1	—	2	—	3	3	4	3	10	1	10	70	—	30	—	—	—	1	10	80	6	—	—	1	117
118	Lindy, Good Shepherd	300	170	60	6	3	9	6	—	—	3	9	—	5	—	3	8	3	4	3	10	1	10	70	—	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	118

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97	—	—	2	36	—	—	1	15	[illegible]	7200	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	1719	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	97
98	1	14	1	22	—	—	—	—	2400	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	—	2047	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	98
99	—	—	2	36	—	—	1	9	[illegible]	12000	—	—	—	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	130	[illegible]	—	—	—	15	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	99
100	1	80	1	200	1	80	2	110	[illegible]	[illegible]	70000	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2851	[illegible]	[illegible]	727	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	100
101	—	—	1	15	1	25	—	—	7000	2500	—	—	500	10000	—	3038	700	3737	172	36	66	77	300	594	1633	1633	1616	5353	101
102	—	—	1	20	—	—	1	15	38000	15000	—	—	—	53000	—	7217	—	7217	—	—	—	13	31	44	1634	244	288	7000	102
103	1	8	2	52	—	—	1	18	29972	6280	—	—	600	36852	—	8371	960	9331	131	34	—	225	819	1229	2801	2468	3697	13028	103
104	1	10	1	132	—	—	2	41	50000	8800	—	—	—	58800	—	3141	2836	6977	490	100	—	128	409	1127	2439	1814	2081	11120	104
105	1	35	2	129	1	24	3	65	65500	52400	—	—	2835	120735	9125	14615	11224	25839	1114	96	—	288	1946	3382	6455	6922	12287	38226	105
106	1	30	3	125	1	30	2	53	15000	5000	—	4500	3000	28500	—	8616	1025	9641	242	37	—	147	633	1059	4539	4530	5600	14730	106
107	—	—	1	64	—	—	1	14	8000	—	—	—	—	8000	—	2437	403	2840	—	—	—	24	112	136	1412	388	486	3326	107
108	1	9	1	40	—	—	1	19	70000	6000	—	—	500	76500	—	5981	299	6280	23	12	—	46	215	296	2899	1429	1727	7997	108
109	1	16	2	34	—	—	1	15	40000	20000	—	—	300	60300	—	5494	1297	6791	197	—	—	207	209	613	1584	1548	2161	8952	109
110	—	—	2	53	—	—	1	23	28500	10000	—	2250	—	40750	—	6087	8886	14973	35	143	88	174	309	749	2779	2073	2822	17495	110
111	1	10	2	24	—	—	1	6	30000	12000	—	—	—	42000	—	4660	701	5361	40	—	—	—	240	280	1670	1420	1700	7070	111
112	1	12	2	40	—	—	1	22	6000	—	10000	—	—	16000	—	5058	2396	7454	—	75	—	5	109	189	1624	775	964	8418	112
113	—	—	2	68	1	52	1	27	50000	10000	—	—	22306	82306	—	11510	2273	13783	279	115	—	225	798	1417	7680	5197	6614	20397	113
114	2	61	2	195	3	117	5	109	332000	33000	—	—	20000	385000	12000	33385	10992	44377	675	190	215	1432	2855	5367	12849	14449	19816	64193	114
115	—	—	1	34	—	—	1	15	—	—	24000	—	1800	25800	6533	6266	2789	9055	—	—	—	—	—	—	3734	242	242	9297	115
116	1	24	1	60	2	52	1	25	65000	24500	—	—	—	89500	22000	12282	6676	18958	617	45	37	45	767	1511	3066	3066	4577	23535	116
117	—	—	1	24	1	34	1	15	16000	10000	—	—	1000	27000	—	5087	—	5087	285	43	—	45	706	1079	2049	2073	3152	8239	117
118	—	—	1	22	—	—	1	15	19320	—	—	—	—	19320	—	3927	161	4088	29	—	—	167	261	457	881	1240	1697	5785	118

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Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	MEMBERSHIP			CHILD MEMBERS								ADULT MEMBERS									EDUCATION																Index Number
					Accessions			Losses					Accessions					Losses				PARISH													HIGHER				
																						Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Vacation Church School								
		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism	Otherwise	Total	Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Nursery Roll	Number	Staff Members	Pupils	Vacation Church Schools	Vacation Church Staff Members	Vacation Church School Pupils	Catechumens (Children and Adults)	In Luth. Theological Sem.	In Other Luth. Institutions	In Non-Luth. Institutions	
119	Ludgepole, Immanuel	321	191	150	20	13	33	4	—	4	—	8	6	10	9	—	25	1	5	—	6	1	27	117	—	33	—	—	—	1	15	77	27	—	1	3	119
120	Louisville, Christ	171	136	121	3	1	4	8	—	—	3	11	—	8	5	—	13	5	1	2	8	1	15	110	—	15	—	—	—	1	7	52	8	—	2	2	120
121	Madison, Immanuel	112	90	76	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	5	1	4	30	—	8	—	—	—	1	1	5	2	1	—	2	121
122	McCool Junction, First	282	178	113	6	3	9	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	4	—	8	1	—	—	1	1	8	68	—	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	4	122
123	Nebraska City, First	619	412	223	15	19	34	7	—	—	—	7	6	7	35	—	46	3	2	78	83	1	16	211	—	27	—	—	—	1	9	113	46	—	3	11	123
124	Niobrara, Niobrara	347	216	100	22	9	31	8	—	2	3	13	9	10	9	2	30	1	4	2	7	1	15	86	—	23	—	—	—	1	17	79	6	—	—	3	124
125	Norfolk, St. John	641	464	348	16	18	34	—	1	16	—	19	5	9	33	7	54	5	34	2	41	1	36	202	—	65	—	—	—	1	15	101	24	—	1	6	125
126	North Bend, St. Matthew	134	70	56	2	—	2	4	—	5	—	9	—	4	—	—	4	1	2	3	6	1	5	12	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	17	4	—	2	1	126
127	North Platte, First	2181	1456	1010	44	26	70	12	—	9	1	22	13	25	34	—	72	8	37	8	53	1	54	636	—	125	—	—	—	1	37	101	63	—	5	25	127
128	Ohiowa, Grace	113	92	75	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	1	—	—	1	1	5	25	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	25	3	—	—	—	128
129	Ohiowa, St. John	307	221	212	6	2	8	4	—	—	2	6	2	4	—	2	8	3	—	3	6	1	16	70	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	52	11	—	1	1	129
130	Omaha, First English	710	431	361	15	—	15	5	—	28	—	33	3	3	—	4	13	5	44	17	66	1	33	174	—	46	—	—	—	1	30	117	33	2	—	3	130
131	Omaha, Grace	640	413	413	33	13	46	—	—	4	15	19	1	9	9	—	19	2	6	—	8	1	16	300	—	46	—	—	—	1	17	68	10	—	1	3	131
132	Omaha, Kountze Memorial	5500	4242	3042	110	72	182	47	4	101	70	222	31	90	62	7	190	50	116	67	235	1	113	896	—	179	—	—	—	1	32	160	121	—	9	140	132
133	Omaha, Luther Memorial	1119	675	378	44	86	130	18	1	31	5	55	6	45	68	9	128	2	61	30	93	1	42	334	—	63	—	—	—	1	30	220	45	—	3	11	133
134	Omaha, Morning Star	457	305	247	7	88	95	10	1	—	—	11	—	30	93	4	127	—	13	12	25	1	15	135	—	—	—	—	—	1	15	105	30	—	1	1	134
135	Omaha, Our Redeemer	1363	950	580	25	14	39	18	—	30	—	48	2	23	13	4	42	10	69	7	86	1	46	327	—	50	1	7	40	1	30	150	71	—	2	10	135
136	Omaha, Pilgrim	380	231	300	21	26	47	6	1	23	12	42	6	24	17	2	51	3	24	19	46	1	30	141	—	36	—	—	—	1	45	140	87	—	1	1	136
137	Omaha, St. Luke	1073	1022	727	50	16	66	27	1	35	12	65	12	42	30	1	90	10	50	30	90	1	50	415	11	65	—	—	—	1	35	145	46	2	5	16	137
138	Omaha, St. Matthew	672	433	310	30	18	48	11	—	11	—	22	—	14	40	—	54	1	12	—	13	1	32	300	—	53	—	—	—	1	34	300	40	—	1	9	138
139	Oakbrook, St. Mark	363	212	171	11	—	11	3	—	—	15	17	6	10	9	1	26	6	15	—	21	1	6	75	—	—	—	—	—	1	10	60	14	—	—	5	139
140	Otoe, St. John	263	197	115	4	—	4	7	—	—	—	7	—	7	—	—	7	4	8	—	12	1	6	70	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	35	6	—	—	2	140
141	Papillion, Trinity	403	277	207	13	3	16	4	—	6	—	10	1	4	15	—	20	3	3	3	9	1	18	140	—	—	—	—	—	1	12	82	12	—	1	2	141
142	Paxton, Trinity	406	260	234	5	—	5	3	—	1	—	4	—	7	—	—	7	2	7	—	9	1	25	142	—	30	—	—	—	1	12	80	18	—	2	2	142
143	Pender, St. Mark	618	648	521	30	—	30	10	—	3	—	31	1	30	21	—	42	5	11	26	42	1	20	383	—	60	—	—	—	1	31	230	18	—	7	14	143
144	Pender, St. Peter	288	186	160	9	—	9	—	—	3	—	3	1	3	4	—	8	2	4	—	6	1	13	78	—	30	—	—	—	1	3	54	11	—	—	2	144
145	Plainview, Christ	257	179	120	5	1	6	—	—	—	3	3	—	—	4	—	4	2	—	3	5	1	7	78	—	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	1	—	—	145
146	Pilger, St. Peter	304	257	211	18	13	33	3	—	8	—	11	—	3	6	44	53	4	7	—	11	1	23	86	—	30	1	2	13	1	30	97	7	—	4	7	146
147	Platte Center, Elim	148	90	96	1	—	1	3	—	—	—	3	—	3	2	—	5	—	6	—	6	1	16	54	—	15	—	—	—	1	6	60	10	—	3	3	147
148	Polk, Trinity	100	68	57	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	4	2	—	1	3	1	11	42	—	11	—	—	—	1	6	30	9	—	1	—	148
149	Prague, Salem	422	340	263	30	6	36	11	—	16	—	27	1	12	7	—	21	7	11	37	55	2	22	184	—	35	—	—	—	1	30	105	13	—	1	7	149
150	Pawnee, First	278	180	110	12	2	14	4	—	—	2	6	9	1	—	—	10	4	—	—	4	1	18	100	—	—	—	—	—	1	16	70	30	—	3	6	150
151	Ralston, Messiah	300	141	120	10	27	37	—	—	9	—	9	—	—	34	6	40	1	6	—	7	1	21	110	—	16	—	—	—	1	16	120	18	—	—	1	151
152	Rising City, First	322	252	140	6	5	13	3	—	—	—	3	1	3	6	—	9	4	3	—	7	1	18	85	—	12	—	—	—	1	13	60	7	—	1	3	152
153	Schuyler, St. John	356	212	156	6	5	13	7	—	—	—	7	—	7	4	7	18	1	7	—	8	1	12	78	—	30	—	—	—	1	14	55	6	—	1	3	153
154	Surlmer, St. John	347	165	158	7	—	7	4	—	—	—	4	1	4	1	—	6	1	1	2	4	1	25	78	—	16	—	—	—	1	10	50	6	—	2	1	154
155	Surlmer, St. John Ridgeley	306	180	164	6	5	11	4	1	6	—	11	—	6	4	1	11	2	6	2	10	1	20	90	—	21	—	—	—	1	10	67	10	—	2	3	155
156	Surlmer, United	374	227	214	10	—	10	13	—	1	—	13	—	12	4	3	19	2	7	—	9	1	18	118	—	34	—	—	—	1	14	60	15	—	1	1	156
157	Sidney, Holy Trinity	1136	643	421	16	17	33	12	2	30	—	45	10	33	36	—	69	4	30	7	41	1	18	300	—	47	—	—	—	1	34	130	35	—	7	9	157
158	Snyder, Immanuel	60	40	40	3	—	3	3	—	—	—	3	1	2	—	—	3	1	—	1	2	1	5	12	—	3	—	—	—	1	6	18	3	—	1	—	158
159	South Sioux City, First	1115	657	434	34	10	43	11	—	13	—	24	4	11	22	—	37	5	30	3	38	1	34	300	—	117	—	—	—	1	30	110	30	—	—	10	159

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Index Number	Group Organizations: Men's Number	Men's Members	Women's Number	Women's Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Young People's Number	Young People's Members	Financial: Valuation of Church Property: Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish Hall	Retirement	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unused	Total	Congregational Benevolence: Unapportioned: Education	Foreign Mission	American Mission	Social Mission	Other Benevolence (including LWA)	Total	Apportioned: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
118	1	80	1	30	—	—	1	15	90000	6000	—	—	—	104000	30000	8630	2850	11580	15	—	10	350	210	600	1040	1200	1700	13970	118
120	—	—	2	50	1	16	1	30	45000	12000	—	600	2000	60000	—	5327	2432	7759	210	301	—	—	300	810	1973	1700	3630	10000	120
121	—	—	2	30	—	—	—	—	5000	2500	—	—	300	7800	—	2515	455	2970	15	—	—	15	37	67	1320	427	454	3404	121
122	1	40	2	50	—	—	1	14	15000	—	—	—	2000	17000	—	4941	—	4941	197	62	—	64	140	463	1024	1120	1574	6015	122
123	—	—	4	101	1	80	2	75	301800	11500	—	—	10000	323300	60000	17531	85000	102531	30	—	—	50	30	110	4114	2000	5100	100000	123
124	—	—	1	21	—	—	1	24	22500	5000	—	—	—	27500	4000	4300	5211	9510	62	—	—	110	204	402	1321	1325	1697	11207	124
125	1	10	2	52	2	42	2	35	20000	5000	—	—	12000	37000	—	10095	4943	15038	275	14	10	103	704	1106	5000	4204	6400	22000	125
126	—	—	1	13	—	—	—	—	10000	—	—	—	100	10100	—	1752	173	1925	108	—	—	34	180	320	1002	200	520	2600	126
127	—	—	1	220	4	140	2	80	300000	15000	85000	—	5500	405500	6500	35340	3002	38252	5708	700	300	354	3000	9130	10725	10725	20510	68170	127
128	—	—	1	21	—	—	1	14	2000	500	—	4250	—	6750	—	3004	282	3056	125	—	—	3	127	304	1200	200	454	4420	128
129	1	10	1	40	1	20	1	20	50000	10000	—	—	200	60200	—	7264	877	8141	148	—	—	81	312	511	2000	1722	2344	10000	129
130	1	15	3	70	1	30	2	30	20000	—	—	—	75000	105000	4000	15350	22018	37377	50	25	10	7	312	404	7100	4004	8200	42000	130
131	1	17	4	73	1	30	2	35	200000	10000	—	—	1450	261450	36130	18077	10662	28739	115	—	—	—	602	717	3440	2140	3800	33004	131
132	—	—	2	216	1	80	4	140	572502	—	—	10000	—	582502	—	54070	13430	68314	4002	3322	150	402	3302	11240	31752	31752	42002	111316	132
133	1	80	1	135	2	95	3	75	300000	25000	—	—	—	340000	110000	30710	34430	65140	2407	1523	640	170	1370	6020	7420	7440	13470	80020	133
134	—	—	1	32	1	34	1	15	34000	20000	—	—	77716	122216	25047	14795	450	15245	—	—	—	—	204	204	1503	1042	1820	17021	134
135	—	—	2	60	1	12	2	34	60000	17000	—	—	18500	95000	7375	20943	357	21300	313	500	—	163	1300	2344	10004	5070	10022	32422	135
136	1	12	1	33	1	12	2	30	20000	16000	20000	—	15134	71134	42941	10870	4344	15212	220	—	—	63	202	604	2000	2000	3104	10027	136
137	2	16	1	120	2	65	4	120	222000	—	—	—	80000	224000	—	22580	7005	29584	906	900	50	164	1335	3427	11770	9701	13200	42800	137
138	1	14	1	71	1	30	2	40	125000	25000	25000	—	—	175000	85470	12091	14007	26098	115	62	10	35	1023	1245	2764	4204	5240	31047	138
139	—	—	2	55	—	—	1	27	4500	4000	—	—	4776	13276	—	9462	340	9802	—	—	—	68	236	304	2000	1200	1968	10850	139
140	1	15	3	97	1	14	1	30	24000	5000	—	—	—	29000	—	5404	—	5404	—	20	20	—	186	226	1022	502	617	6011	140
141	1	12	2	56	—	—	1	26	120000	8000	—	—	—	128000	30000	6057	61566	70523	64	—	173	25	309	571	2080	2007	3030	74021	141
142	—	—	2	50	—	—	—	—	80000	20000	—	—	—	100000	—	5630	565	6195	29	—	—	122	704	915	3028	3028	4740	10028	142
143	1	35	2	125	1	37	1	36	125000	31000	43000	—	3000	202000	17000	16034	26371	42405	—	—	—	230	650	1030	7050	7053	8020	51343	143
144	1	12	3	61	—	—	1	15	27400	20000	—	—	2535	60025	—	5204	22130	27334	—	50	75	15	480	620	2072	979	1150	28533	144
145	1	15	2	48	—	—	1	14	22000	8000	—	—	1000	31000	—	4900	280	5180	22	—	—	13	210	245	1050	970	1215	6395	145
146	1	12	3	55	—	—	1	18	42000	8000	—	—	—	50000	—	7480	—	7480	1130	15	20	48	505	1707	2474	2474	4281	11741	146
147	1	8	2	40	—	—	1	10	15000	6000	—	—	—	21000	—	4005	—	4005	123	60	—	—	5	188	1427	1270	1450	5623	147
148	—	—	1	30	—	—	1	11	25500	—	—	—	—	25500	5000	2065	2705	5090	—	—	—	28	205	233	950	213	443	6136	148
149	—	—	1	83	—	—	2	50	50000	12000	—	—	—	62000	—	8043	284	8327	65	—	—	10	1216	1291	4114	4114	5405	13732	149
150	1	14	1	48	—	—	1	8	30000	30000	5000	—	—	65000	6050	7538	1651	9189	223	94	—	51	571	938	2150	1520	2460	11647	150
151	1	15	1	30	—	—	1	22	60000	16500	—	—	3667	79167	68000	6547	8725	15272	—	—	—	—	527	527	1214	1202	1700	17201	151
152	1	10	2	55	—	—	1	16	25000	7000	—	5000	1019	48019	—	6434	1107	7531	153	—	—	5	343	401	2155	2234	2630	10165	152
153	—	—	1	34	—	—	1	13	35000	10000	—	—	—	45000	—	6348	—	6348	261	—	—	35	317	613	2535	307	970	7310	153
154	1	26	1	48	—	—	2	25	25000	20000	—	—	—	45000	—	5942	1121	6063	646	25	20	—	511	1200	3414	3414	3614	11077	154
155	1	20	1	40	—	—	1	15	21000	18500	—	—	900	40400	850	6653	3295	9948	1042	102	—	106	610	1860	2550	2550	4410	14358	155
156	1	10	1	70	—	—	2	20	65000	10000	—	—	—	75000	7540	5206	8981	14187	91	50	45	301	750	1245	2080	1814	3080	17240	156
157	1	14	3	136	1	34	2	37	257000	20000	—	—	7471	284471	60000	15204	13168	28372	92	—	—	27	977	1096	5239	3075	3771	32143	157
158	—	—	1	13	—	—	—	—	12000	—	—	—	—	12000	—	1305	207	1512	—	—	—	107	87	194	714	520	714	2226	158
159	—	—	1	126	—	—	2	43	143000	12000	—	—	61500	216500	74128	13607	11303	24910	22	221	10	251	468	972	7013	6228	7260	32110	159

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Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	MEMBERSHIP			CHILD MEMBERS								ADULT MEMBERS									EDUCATION															Index Number
					Accessions			Losses					Accessions					Losses				PARISH												HIGHER			
																						Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Vacation Church School							
		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism	Otherwise	Total	Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Nursery Roll	Number	Staff Members	Pupils	Vacation Church Schools	Vacation Church Staff Members	Vacation Church School Pupils	Catechumens (Children and Adults)	In Luth. Theological Sem.	In Other Luth. Institutions	In Non-Luth. Institutions	
160	Spencer, United	288	176	112	15	—	15	—	—	—	9	9	—	—	—	1	1	—	2	8	10	1	13	75	—	17	—	—	—	1	11	86	—	—	1	5	160
161	Stamford, Trinity	206	137	122	6	—	6	—	—	3	—	3	—	1	3	1	5	1	4	3	8	1	19	94	—	—	—	—	—	1	10	65	5	1	—	2	161
162	Stanton, St. Luke	150	111	79	3	—	3	3	—	—	—	3	—	5	—	—	5	2	2	—	4	1	10	51	—	6	—	—	—	1	3	34	10	—	—	2	162
163	Stella, Trinity	44	35	10	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	1	3	20	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	163
164	Sterling, St. John	144	112	83	3	3	6	2	—	—	2	4	—	3	2	2	7	1	5	3	9	1	8	50	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	36	3	—	—	4	164
165	Superior, Our Redeemer	57	35	27	1	29	30	—	—	—	8	8	1	2	29	16	48	—	—	13	13	1	10	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	1	165
166	Sutherland, Grace	168	121	78	4	11	15	—	1	2	29	32	2	1	7	9	19	1	6	—	7	1	16	44	—	7	—	—	—	1	15	50	9	—	—	—	166
167	Sutton, Zion	97	78	60	2	3	5	6	—	4	1	11	—	6	2	1	9	2	5	22	29	1	5	30	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	15	6	—	—	—	167
168	Syracuse, First	69	58	25	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	2	—	2	6	—	8	1	—	—	1	1	4	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	168
169	Tekamah, Emmanuel	472	313	309	18	8	26	16	—	1	—	17	3	21	9	5	38	2	9	8	19	1	14	193	3	25	—	—	—	1	16	112	55	1	6	3	169
170	Uehling, St. Paul	147	102	94	3	10	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	6	—	8	1	—	—	1	1	16	50	—	9	—	—	—	1	10	32	2	—	2	1	170
171	Vacuna, St. John	33	13	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	171
172	Valley, St. Mark	245	127	82	7	9	16	—	1	—	—	1	1	5	9	4	19	—	6	9	15	1	12	100	—	6	—	—	—	1	9	68	10	—	3	1	172
173	Verdon, St. Mark	227	148	118	5	—	5	6	—	1	—	7	—	6	—	—	6	—	7	—	7	1	24	95	—	10	—	—	—	1	8	48	9	—	—	3	173
174	Walton, Grace	96	76	45	—	2	2	—	—	1	—	1	—	2	1	—	3	—	2	—	2	1	10	80	—	19	—	—	—	1	10	42	—	—	—	3	174
175	Wayne, Redeemer	1092	698	601	23	9	32	18	—	21	14	53	2	10	60	10	90	4	3	—	7	1	22	256	—	78	—	—	—	1	17	147	46	1	1	6	175
176	Wayne, St. Paul	618	473	411	11	10	21	14	—	10	34	58	1	14	13	—	28	6	15	60	81	1	33	140	—	30	—	—	—	1	15	90	15	—	—	8	176
177	West Point, Grace	1107	704	534	31	10	41	14	—	25	26	65	4	16	9	5	34	8	33	51	92	1	25	230	—	56	—	—	—	1	26	123	54	—	6	6	177
178	Wilber, First	579	304	313	10	8	18	6	—	4	—	10	6	6	—	—	12	1	4	—	5	1	18	110	—	31	—	—	—	1	10	100	12	—	—	8	178
179	Winside, Trinity	347	256	152	2	6	8	5	—	3	—	8	—	5	3	1	9	3	3	1	7	1	13	70	—	12	—	—	—	1	13	53	6	—	—	5	179
180	Wisner, Christ	408	285	251	9	2	11	6	—	8	1	15	—	13	8	6	27	2	2	2	6	1	11	90	4	13	—	—	—	1	8	54	19	—	2	5	180
181	Wolbach, Trinity	482	316	300	23	5	30	5	—	4	5	14	7	6	8	2	23	4	11	7	22	1	11	90	—	35	—	—	—	1	15	95	10	—	—	4	181
182	York, First	333	252	149	1	6	7	—	—	3	—	3	2	—	10	—	21	3	6	—	9	1	13	66	—	10	—	—	—	1	11	52	9	—	3	3	182
183	Yutan, St. John	619	402	328	11	—	11	—	—	6	—	6	1	2	—	—	3	6	13	—	19	1	14	125	—	—	—	—	—	1	14	70	16	—	5	1	183
	OKLAHOMA																																					
184	Midwest City, St. Mark	176	103	79	12	25	37	10	—	4	3	17	2	24	20	—	46	—	10	7	17	1	19	110	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	—	—	3	184
185	Oklahoma City, First	470	322	300	17	6	23	7	—	18	—	25	4	9	15	9	37	2	42	4	48	1	26	150	—	23	1	8	62	1	12	54	51	1	1	15	185
186	Perry, Zion	321	140	142	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	3	7	—	1	15	16	1	12	71	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	65	12	—	—	6	186
187	Stillwater, Salem	191	136	134	8	7	15	3	—	3	8	14	2	6	12	4	24	2	4	14	20	1	15	100	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	48	12	—	1	15	187
188	Tulsa, Ascension	395	179	146	18	8	26	4	—	18	—	22	5	12	3	—	22	—	15	—	15	1	24	140	—	21	—	—	—	1	18	58	23	—	—	3	188
189	Tulsa, First	820	502	520	17	8	25	13	—	10	—	23	6	15	31	—	52	8	27	15	50	1	40	345	24	30	—	—	—	1	24	90	41	1	1	10	189
	TEXAS																																					
190	Darrouzett, St. Paul	84	71	71	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	7	42	—	—	—	—	—	1	9	51	—	—	—	—	190
191	Lipscomb, St. John	133	79	76	6	1	7	4	—	—	—	4	—	4	1	—	5	5	6	1	11	1	7	33	—	—	1	1	4	—	—	—	5	—	—	5	191
	1959	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	1958	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	Inc.	1307	565	500	—	302	302	—	—	54	—	—	—	—	112	37	40	13	—	—	—	3	153	418	—	133	3	5	138	11	300	1260	107	5	5	112	[illegible]
	Dec.	—	—	—	37	—	—	35	13	—	336	386	33	78	—	—	—	—	15	135	150	—	—	—	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	[illegible]

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Index Number	Group Organizations: Men's Number	Men's Members	Women's Number	Women's Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Young People's Number	Young People's Members	Financial: Validation of Church Property: Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Park Sites	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expense: Current	Deficit	Total	Congregational Benevolence: Unapportioned: Education	Foreign Mission	American Mission	Social Missions	Other Benevolence (Including LWA)	Total	Apportioned: Apportioned	Apportioned Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
180	1	18	1	87	—	—	1	18	12000	6000	—	—	4000	24000	40	6650	800	6650	324	—	—	36	780	321	1443	1350	1700	6000	180
181	—	—	1	35	—	—	1	30	30000	8000	7000	—	—	38000	—	8130	1000	9434	302	307	—	77	350	901	1832	1832	2733	11167	181
182	—	—	1	22	—	—	1	15	22000	—	—	—	—	22000	—	2300	—	2300	30	—	—	—	61	111	1130	237	336	3436	182
183	—	—	1	15	—	—	—	—	3000	2500	—	—	—	5500	—	1300	300	1414	—	—	—	—	—	—	152	152	152	1566	183
184	—	—	1	18	—	—	1	14	7000	4000	6000	—	1400	18000	—	8015	—	8015	32	90	—	—	130	256	1130	878	1134	9131	184
185	—	—	1	6	—	—	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1722	148	1870	—	—	—	—	72	72	—	354	426	2296	185
186	—	—	1	12	—	—	—	—	6000	7500	3000	—	—	36000	—	4300	71	4371	10	—	—	—	—	10	1443	137	147	4518	186
187	—	—	2	34	—	—	—	—	6000	5000	—	—	—	11000	—	2230	—	2230	—	—	—	—	36	36	1300	136	182	2412	187
188	—	—	1	17	—	—	—	—	7000	6000	—	—	—	13000	—	1330	642	1967	—	—	—	30	50	80	300	232	312	2279	188
189	1	22	1	72	—	—	3	78	27500	12000	—	—	17440	66940	—	10000	2700	12610	130	34	40	63	641	838	3610	2500	3533	16041	189
170	—	—	1	30	1	12	1	12	10000	—	—	—	—	10000	—	2500	514	3114	91	—	—	22	222	335	1100	913	1248	4362	170
171	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2000	—	—	7300	—	10700	—	277	—	277	60	—	—	—	—	60	213	—	60	337	171
172	—	—	1	18	—	—	1	24	13000	8000	—	—	—	20000	10000	5770	—	5770	5	—	—	13	47	65	1326	182	187	5840	172
173	—	—	1	27	1	32	1	17	10000	12000	—	—	21710	43710	—	2740	—	2740	27	193	127	—	175	522	3084	1210	1742	4400	173
174	—	—	1	23	—	—	—	—	12000	8000	—	—	—	20000	—	2771	1027	3798	—	—	—	5	55	60	607	607	607	4405	174
175	1	34	2	130	1	34	1	30	250000	15000	—	—	3000	268000	21000	15313	6341	21653	50	—	—	—	994	1044	5348	3627	4671	26324	175
176	1	15	2	150	1	40	1	35	185000	15000	—	—	4000	204000	21000	11117	7600	18717	314	—	—	10	723	1047	5001	3006	4143	22860	176
177	1	40	2	177	—	—	2	45	120000	30000	—	—	—	150000	30750	15197	16300	31537	1130	65	—	223	1427	2863	6181	3090	6463	38000	177
178	—	—	2	147	1	32	1	38	69700	8000	—	—	—	68000	3700	5113	2700	7813	60	65	—	50	60	300	3127	879	1139	8951	178
179	1	11	2	52	1	16	1	14	12000	5000	—	—	—	17000	—	5600	314	6913	66	55	—	77	330	527	3004	1506	2123	6190	179
180	—	—	2	64	1	30	1	9	125000	10000	—	—	—	145000	13000	8813	3600	12413	560	405	30	50	370	1420	3507	2250	3740	16231	180
181	—	—	2	42	—	—	1	30	50000	10000	—	—	274	60274	—	7140	3503	10643	—	—	—	—	504	504	3324	1170	1602	12125	181
182	1	56	1	66	—	—	1	38	15000	5000	—	—	7970	27970	—	5005	5000	10005	415	194	—	50	300	959	2156	2165	3054	14010	182
183	—	—	2	90	—	—	1	34	50000	10000	—	—	—	60000	—	8004	1042	9026	122	14	—	5	494	636	4706	3109	3747	13073	183
OKLAHOMA																													
184	1	12	1	21	—	—	1	12	—	14000	—	—	30000	44000	41897	3537	1037	4574	30	5	—	10	202	247	1063	867	1114	5688	184
185	1	15	2	65	—	—	1	17	125000	15000	15000	—	26000	181000	30000	24546	5562	30108	15	600	—	76	792	1483	5100	1857	3340	33448	185
186	—	—	1	30	—	—	1	9	25000	14000	—	—	—	39000	10000	4884	3681	8565	14	—	—	96	523	633	2383	1802	2435	11000	186
187	—	—	1	37	—	—	2	38	62000	6000	—	—	—	68000	27445	9446	4000	13446	40	—	25	10	192	267	1822	1822	2089	15535	187
188	—	—	1	42	—	—	1	30	100000	15000	—	—	—	115000	62112	7962	11873	19775	64	—	—	—	480	553	1973	1973	2526	22301	188
189	—	—	1	326	1	58	2	35	317231	27500	—	—	2955	347686	57500	22735	27140	49875	—	100	—	—	844	944	7436	7436	8382	58257	189
TEXAS																													
190	—	—	1	16	—	—	1	14	9000	14000	—	—	1500	24500	—	4365	—	4365	22	—	—	—	161	123	941	943	1065	5430	190
191	—	—	2	33	—	—	1	22	10000	5000	—	—	1000	16000	—	4115	—	4115	35	—	—	—	326	361	1275	857	1218	5333	191
1959	94	1944	293	12842	93	3032	235	4748	12800094	2104680	1020114	73885	1653922	17655595	2370685	1779330	1058251	2838581	71901	27235	5031	18405	105310	228782	654492	534823	763605	3602186	1959
1958	101	2205	292	12740	85	2788	236	4838	12123729	1950685	711050	92146	1417049	16300659	2043721	1690218	1100850	2791068	90591	28404	5847	21131	92298	238271	833015	556800	795080	3586148	1958
Inc.			1	102	8	244			677265	148015	309064	.....	236873	1352956	326964	89112	.....	47513			84		13012						16038	Inc.
Dec.	7	261					1	90		.....	.....	16261	.....	.....	.....	.....	41599	.....	18690	1169		2726		9489	177523	21966	31475		Dec.